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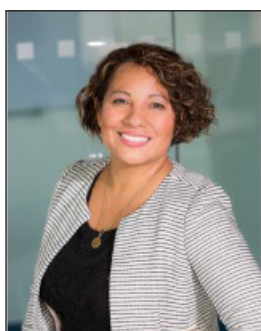


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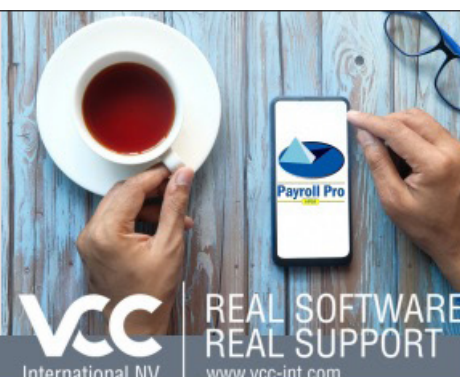


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Den caso Flamingo

# Ministerio Publico hungando 'Mens Erger Je Niet' cu leynan

Den ultimo simannan, constantemente por mira nubianan scur dornando parti di e shelo blauw riba e isla aki, caminda den algun caso awasero ta cay y na otro momento ta strena cu lamper sin cu un pipita di awa ta cay.

Ta den e contexto aki tin cu mira un comunicado oficial di Ministerio Publico emiti ayera mainta, relaciona cu e investigacion cu ainda ta tumando luga pa e caso Flamingo, caminda e sospechoso principal, ta ex Minister Otmar Oduber.

Segun e comunicado, Ministerio Publico a yega na un acuerdo cu e sospechoso den e caso aki, J.P. Geerman, conoci mas tanto como Hans, locutor na Solo di Pueblo, caminda Hans lo tin cu paga un suma di 125.280,13 cen, bek pa placa cu el a ricibi for di Gabinete Wever Croes, sin cu el a duna servicio pa esaki.

Na Hulandes tin e dicho cu ta bisa, "als donderslag bij heldere hemel" ya cu ningun hende a spera e anuncio aki caminda a bin Sali na cla cu Hans ta un di e sospechosonan cualifica como "spookambtenaar" cu a cobra placa sin cu e rindi servicio pa hustifica e salario.

Ministerio Publico a mostra cu di e suma di 125.280,13, un suma di 5 mil florin ta e multa cu Hans Geerman tin cu paga mientras cu resto di e suma aki, ta nifica cu e acusado aki a cobra pa dos aña largo, un salario di 5 mil florin pa luna riba un periodo di 24 luna.

Ministerio Publico ta mostra den su comunicado: "Geerman ta wordo sospecha di a estafa Pais Aruba y di corrupcion activo di minister di ruimtelijke ontwikkeling, infrastructura y medio ambiente (ROIM) (red" Otmar Oduber) durante e periodo di prome di april 2019 te 30 di maart 2021."

Pues claramente por lesa cu Geerman ta wordo acusa di ta "horta pais Aruba" ya cu el a haya un puesto den gobierno pa cual no a rekeri pa e haci un of otro trabou pero solamente Hans tabata haci propaganda pa e minister ariba menciona. Tambe Ministerio Publico ta mostra den su comunicado cu sr Geerman a haci su mes culpabel na estafa (ladroncia) y corrupcion y esaki el a haci contra di pais Aruba pero pa esaki ta considera cu Hans tin cu paga un suma di 5 mil florin y tin cu paga bek e suma di 120.280,13 florin bek cu el a cobra durante di e dos añanan cu e tabata den servicio di Otmar Oduber.



## CONTROVERSIAL

Loke ta haci e comunicado aki hopi controversial, ta e hecho cu entre otro Ministerio Publico a mostra: "Considerando tur hecho y circunstancia, incluso e hecho cu no tin victimanan of partinan perhudica di kende nan interesnan a wordo perhudica di algun forma of otro dor di realisa e transaccion aki, Ministerio Publico ta considera cu e transaccion menciona ta un acuerdo apropia pa Geerman."

Esaki decision aki di OM ta duna henter e decision di Corte contra di parlamentario Benny Sevinger, un tiki mas controversial di loke e ta caba, ya cu un di e acusacionnan contra di Benny ta pa motibo cu for di fondo di su propio 'stichting' el a uza placa di e fondo pa paga un pasashi pa su señora kende a compaña su persona riba un biahe di trabou den exterior.

Pues aki ta trata di fondo di un stichting cu tin su propio directiva, cu ta supervisa henter e fundacion aki, y esaki si ta algo criminal loke Benny a haci pero un persona cu Ministerio Publico ta bisa di a "estafa fondo di e pais," diripiente esaki no ta algo serio, no ta algo di peso ya cu e no a perhudica ningun hende of instancia.

Ta den ki forma e ora e asunto di pasashi pa señora di parlamentario Benny Sevinger si a resulta den algo incorrecto y hasta ilegal y ta e tipo di "redeneringen" aki, ta bolbe crea duda den seriedad y integridad di Ministerio Publico.

# Periodista involvi den caso Flamingo a haya chens pa paga boet

**M**inisterio Publico a cera un acuerdo di transaccion den e caso Flamingo cu e sospechoso Hans J.P. Geerman pa un suma di Afl. 125.280,13. Geerman ta wordo sospecha di a estafa Pais Aruba y di corrupcion activo di minister di ruimtelijkeontwikkeling, infrastructura y medio ambiente (ROIM) durante e periodo di prome di april 2019 te 30 di maart 2021.

Den e investigacion Geerman a wordo identifica como un asina yama spook ambtenaar of ambtenaar spirito. Ministerio Publico ta opina cu e investigacion a mostra cu e minister a nombra Geerman como medewerker bedrijfsvoering, pero cu e no tabatin mester a haci ningun trabao en cambio y cu e no a haci ningun trabao tampoco. A cambio pa e sueldo cu el a cobra di Pais Aruba, e tabata si haci propaganda pa e minister na radio.

Ministerio Publico ta di opinion cu door di esey Geerman a haci su mes culpabel na estafa y corrupcion. E suma di transaccion ta consisti di pago di un suma di placa di en total Afl. 125.280,13. A yega na e suma aki door di conta e boet di Afl. 5000,- plus henter e suma cu Geerman a ricibi inhumamente di Pais Aruba, esta, Afl. 120.280,13. Considerando tur hecho y circunstancia, incluso e hecho cu no tin victimanan of partinan perhudica di kende nan interesnan a wordo perhudica di algun forma of otro door di realida e transaccion aki, Ministerio Publico ta considera cu e transaccion menciona ta un acuerdo apropia pa Geerman.

Ministerio Publico a tene cuenta cu tramitacionnan den casonan similar. Ministerio Publico ta di opinion cu e suma di e transaccion ta haci husticia na e echonan y na e rol specifico cu Geerman a hunga den e investigacion penal di Flamingo.

Ministerio Publico ta enfatisa cu e transaccion aki no tin influencia riba e curso di e proceso penal contra e otro sospechosonan den Flamingo. Si en caso Geerman keda sin cumpli cu e condicionnan palabra, e tambe lo wordo cita pa presenta dilanti Hues.







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Prensa Hulandes ta cuestiona

# Forma di cana kibra na Den Haag di Prome Minister Evelyn Wever Croes

Prome Minister di Aruba, Evelyn Wever Croes, un biaha mas a percura pa crea un mal impresion di e falta di seriedad di su gobierno Gabinete Wever Croes II, siman pasa. Sin cu el a anuncia esaki na Parlamento di Aruba of na su gabinete, diahuebs atardi Evelyn a dicidi si subi avion y bula bay Hulanda sperando cu e lo por haya chens pa aparentemente informa RijksMinisterraad na Den Haag, di loke su gobierno kier logra.

Sinembargo e decision aki di yega den forma inespera a pone Evelyn y su gobierno muestra malo tanto den seno politico, seno gubernamental y tambe den Consejo di Minister, ya cu na Hulanda e lider di MEP no por haci loke cu e kier, manera cu ta haci su 11 miembronan di parlamento aki na Aruba.

Varios publicacion a duna atencion na e falta di seriedad pero tambe falta di respet pa tur loke Consejo di Minister di Reino ta representa, caminda ki ora cu ta un mandatario por cana kibra y bira parti di un reunion sin previo aviso.

*“In plaats van een doorbraak over na financieel toezicht, wachtte de onaangekondigd naar Nederland gereisde minister-president Wever Croes, een letterlijk en figuurlijk koude douche in regenachtig Den Haag.”*

Asina mes a permiti Evelyn duna informacion na RMR pa loke ta su supuesto cambionan cu e kier introduci den e ley di LAft manera cu el a informa Secretario di Estado, Alexandra van Huffelen kende diabierna tabata ausento ya cu e tabata efectua u bishita di trabou na Bonaire.

Despues di a duna informacion na RMR Evelyn Wever Croes a bandona e reunion ya cu no a sigui delibera riba e asunto aki caminda tur cos cu a ser treci dilanti, lo wordo manda opa van Huffelen asina cu e yega Hulanda.

Tur cos ta muestra cu ta Minister Plenipotenciario na Hulanda, Ady Thijssen a regla pa Prome Minister di Aruba por a hiba palabra pa un momento corto pero en realidad ta un asunto cu tin cu cana por completo via di e Secretario di Estado van



Huffelen loke no a sosode.

Mayoria medionan di comunicacion a cuestiona e forma cu Evelyn a simplemente cana kibra, sin un anuncio oficial y kier a cambia e programa di e reunion di RMR di diabierna loke e no a logra tampoco.

Tin medionan Hulandes cu a cuestiona e forma di actua aki cu e Prome Minister di Aruba mustrand na varios ocasion cu gobierno di Evelyn tin varios aña discutiendo riba e situacion financiero di pais Aruba pero semper cambiando di opinion y vision.



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Parti di un comunicado di prensa cu Ministerio Publico a publica ayera merdia relaciona cu e caso di Flamingo caminda prome cu e caso a keda cla pa wordo manda pa Corte den Prome Instancia, a dicidi di regla asunto cu dos sospechoso den e caso.

Ayera Ministerio Publico a anuncia cu el a yega na un acuerdo di pago, cu ta un multa di 5000 florin y cu e acusado Hans Geerman lo tin cu paga bek un suma di 120.280,13 florin cual ta e placa cu el a cobra pa dos año largo como un asina yama ‘spookambtenaar’ sin cu el duna servicio na gobierno pa e placa aki.

Sinembargo ora cu pone atencion na argumento ariba menciona di

Ministerio Publico, anto den tur caso den futuro na momento c’un hende of sospechoso comete un acto di corrupcion cu fondonan publico, e por paga e suma aki, ricibi un buta y ‘klaar is kees.’

Hopi a kere cu Husticia ta traha diferente, cu ta ehecuta husticia contra di esunnan cu faya cu husticia y den e caso aki di Hans Geerman, mesun cos cu den caso ex Minister Plenipotenciario Besaril, tambe el a uza fondonan publico pa asuntonan priva y personal y den su caso el a wordo retira for di servicio di gobierno.

Ainda no ta conoci si e caso di Besaril lo yega Corte un dia pero prome cu e decision di Corte dos siman pasa, ya caba Minister Presidente Evelyn Wever Croes, a papia cu Besaril lo paga e placa bek, contrario na loke e propio lider di MEP a haci den e caso di ex Parlamentario Alan Howell.

Mientras cu ainda Ministerio Publico no a presenta acusacionnan oficial contra di entre otro ex Minister Otmar Oduber den e caso di Flamingo, ta parce cu e forma di atende cu e caso aki, ta totalmente diferente cu e casonan di IBIS y Avestruz ya cu den e dos casonan aki, practicamente no a yega na ningun acuerdo cu ningun hende y a hiba tur dilanti mesa berdad pa nan wordo condena dor di Hues.

Ta e tipo di desaroyonan aki ta sigui pone un mancha riba henter e forma di procede di Ministerio Publico, caminda mas y mas ta lanta e pensamento cu e institucion aki no ta actuando den forma husto cu tur hende cu comete un of otro delito cu ta castigabel.

Na mes momento ta bolbe lanta cabes cu Ministerio Publico realmente ta asumiendo un posicion politico den e tipo di casonan aki, mirando e diferencia grandi cu ta atende e casonan aki ya cu tin cosnan a sosode den caso di IBIS y Avestruz y tambe ta sosode den e investigacion di caso Flamingo, cu ta totalmente diferente cu loke a bin ta sosode den e ultimo caso aki.

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Minister Ursell Arends:

# Baki den Bario awor ta acepta azeta di cushina



Dialuna 30 di october durante un rueda di prensa Minister Arends a anuncia cu cuminsando 4 di november te cu 16 di december lo acepta desperdicio di azeta di cushina residencial na Baki den Bario.

Baki den Bario cu ya caba tin algun luna andando ta un actividad unda cu ta trece diferente baki di desperdicio na cada distrito di Aruba. Hende por trece nan desperdicio separa pa asina wordo procesa debidamente. Pues locual cu ta wordo colecta na Baki den Bario ta desperdicio cu lo tabatin chens di termina den nos naturalesa.

Despues di a tende for di nos comunidad, a añadi mas tipo di desperdicio cu ta wordo acepta na e lista. A cuminsa cu desperdicio di bulk, construccion, metal, green waste y e-waste y incorpora desperdicio di carton y taira den e trayectoria di Baki den Bario. Awe Minister Arends a anuncia cu tambe por trece azeta di cushina uza.

Azeta di cushina ta un problema grandi pa nos tuberianan na cas y pa nos sistema di rioolering. Pues e awa mescla cu azeta cu ta yega nos RWZI ta afecta e planta negativamente. Di tur e azeta di cushina cu Aruba ta importa, solamente 15 pa 20 por ciento ta wordo exporta pa recicla. A pesar cu nunca lo nos por yega 100%, door di e azeta cu ta wordo absorbi den nos cuminda, tin hopi espacio pa mehoracion den e problematica aki.

Pa e motibo aki a anuncia un colaboracion cu Paradise Scrap cu ta un compania cu ta colecta azeta di cushina y ta exporta esaki pa debido procesamiento. Tur azeta di cushina cu nan ta colecta ta wordo recicla y converti den 'bio fuel'. Paradise Scrap lo tin un baki na

cada evento di Baki den Bario cuminsando 4 di november unda cu nan lo colecta azeta di cushina. Ta pidi tur esnan cu lo haci uzo di nan servicio na Baki den Bario pa por fabor trece nan azeta den contenedornan bon cera pa asina preveni cu esaki lo basha.

Minister Arends ta pidi tur esnan cu lo haci uzo di Baki den Bario na Savaneta e fin di siman aki pa prepara y separa bon di antemano mirando cu hopi hende ta bin trece nan desperdicio y lo probablemente tin fila largo di auto.

Ta haci un yamada na pueblo di Savaneta pa separa y trece nan desperdicio diasabra awor na Veld di Undesa for di 7'or te cu 11'or di mainta. Pa mas informacion tocante Baki den Bario por bishita <https://trashtocasharuba.org/limpilimpi>

A vertical poster for the 'Limpilimpi' campaign. The background is a dark green with large, detailed leaves. At the top, in white bold capital letters, it says 'SEA CONSCIENTE DI BO DESPERDICIO, TENE ARUBA'. Below this, the word 'Limpilimpi' is written in a large, white, cursive script. A green arrow points from the first 'i' to the second 'i', and a blue arrow points from the second 'i' back to the first 'i'. Below the script, in white bold capital letters, it says 'BAKI DEN BARIO'. Further down, in white capital letters, it says 'CLICK PA MIRA KI DIA E TA CERCA DI BO'. At the bottom left is the coat of arms of Aruba, and at the bottom right, in white, it says 'Ministerio di Naturalesa'.



Segun Minister Ursell Arends

## For di aña 2005 ya caba a señala hopi dump ilegal na Aruba

Aunque cu mester consulta cu e partnernan den e proyecto di e campaña Limpi Limpi, tur cos ta indica cu esaki lo sigui den 2024. Esaki ta un pregunta cu e mandatario a haya durante un conferencia di prensa dialuna mainta.

Minister di Naturalesa, Ursell Arends, a bisa cu e intencion ta pa sigui cu e campaña pero cu mester consulta cu e partnernan. Pero mirando e resultado, nan lo kier sigui cu ne. Tambe e mandatario a comenta cu e dumpnan ilegal cu pueblo ta papia di dje, no ta cos di awo. Nan tabata existi caba. “Tin datonan pa muestra cu e desperdicio y dumpnan ilegal ya caba tabata tumando luga.”

For di 2005 ora cu Gobierno a tuma e decision pa cobra pa deposita sushi na Parkietenbos, ya caba tabatin diferente dump ilegal cu a surgi. Na 2012 a institui un comision cu a produci un conseho titula Zero Tolerancia.

Den e investigacion cu e comision a haci, a descubri 62 buraco coba rond di e isla. Ta trata di buraconan coba pa saca santo y 31 di nan tabata wordo uza pa tira desperdicio. Na 2019 atrobe a produci un estudio científico. Esaki a trece como resultado cu pa cada meter cuadra Aruba tin 2.52 pida di desperdicio (sushi). Compara cu otro islanan den Caribe cu a pasa den un sistema di audit similar, Aruba a resulta como e isla cu mas sushi pa kilometer cuadra.

Desde cu a cera dump, e mandatario ta sinti cu maneho di desperdicio ta manera bou di un lupa.



Un di e hermentnan cu ta yuda hopi ta Fixie via cual ta drenta hopi denuncia di sushinan laga atras. Personalmente el a bay na un area na Noord, hunto cu personal di City Inspector, pa un denuncia haci. Nan a constata cu hopi di e desperdicionan aki tabata sushinan di cas cu por tira den un bari cu ta wordo recoge door di un di e companianan cu brinda e servicio aki. El a keda sorprendi di topa cu frishider y stoof bieu tira riba caya, cu ta cosnan cu por tira den e bakinan cu ta pone den bario tur fin di siman.

Den e prome cuater siman di e programa di baki den bario, a recoge 387 ton di sushi. Pues a evita cu ta tira e materialnan aki riba caya. “Mi ta spera cu comunidad haci uzo di e actividad di baki den bario, pa deshaci di nan sushi di un forma gratis.”

Bureau City Inspector desde e aña’ki a haya seis ploeg di limpieza bou di nan departamento cu a yuda inmensamente pa e bon trabou cu e departamento aki ta desplega. Nan ta atende cualkier keho cu drenta via di Fixie of via di e denuncianan haci por medio di prensa.

Plan pa aumenta personal no tin awo, pasobra e ploegnan ta dunando resultado. Tin un estudio andando si pa restructuracion di e aparato gubernamental. Pa luna di april di 2024 mester tin un bista cual ta e departamentonan di gobierno tin falta di personal. Si esey resulta e caso, lo bay studia con por drecha e situacion.



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**Vietnam:** Vietnam a converti den un di e principal beneficiarionan di e guerra comercial, ya cu e ta ofrece man di obra barata, estabilidad politico y maneho comercial flexibel. E gigantenan tecnologico manera Apple a traslada algun di su operacionnan pa Vietnam.

**Mexico:** Mexico ta profila como un destino faborabel p'e empresanan Mericano, atrayendo inversion y proximidad na Merca p'e deslocalisacion cercano. Empresa manera Foxconn y Pegatron, conoci pa nan trabaonan cu Apple, ta considerando hiba nan operacion pa Mexico.

**India:** E iniciativa "Made in India" di India, encabesa p'e prome minister Narendra Modi, kier atrae inversion pa industrialisacion y converti den un centro mundial di fabricacion. E pais ta animando e marcanan di telefon inteligente pa fabrica na India pero e obstaculon normativo a trece un reto.

**Malasia:** Malasia a experimenta un aumento

di inversion stranhero entre 2018 y 2019, principalmente di Merca. Sinembargo, e perdida comercial cu China a afecta e industria tecnologico cu ta depende di componente Chines.

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En particular, Trump no a haci referencia na su reciente comentarionan criticando e prome minister Israeli Benjamin Netanyahu y describiendo Hezbola como “hopi inteligente”. E forma pa evita e cuestionnan aki no a para e publico di dun’e sosten.

E salida di e careda di e ex-vice presidente di Trump, Mike Pence, tabata



un indicado cla di e control inkebrantabel di Trump riba e partido. E retiro di Pence a simbolisa e inutilidad di opone n’e esfuerzonan di Trump pa anula e resultadonan di e eleccion di 2020.

E rivalnan di Trump a spera tin un plataforma pa ret’e den e evento, pero mayoria a abstene di atake directo. Hasta e figuranan destaca manera Nikki Haley, cu a profila como un di e principal rivalnan di Trump, a adopta un enfoke mas suave.

Pa awo, Trump ta sigui ta e favorito den un campo di candidato Republicano. A pesar di e expectativanan di primaria competitivo, e bentaha di Trump ta mantene stabiel. E echo cu e ta bay evitando e debatenan di e primaria a limita e capacidad di su rivalnan pa ret’e directamente.

Mientras cu e campaña ta avansa, e resistencia di Trump y su apoyo constante dentro di e partido ta pone di manifiesto e retonan na cual su competidonan pa destrona e ex-presidente. E speranza di e campanñanan cu no ta apoya Trump pa reduci e cantidad di candidato, por tarda mas pa materialisa di loke a premira.

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## Minister di Turismo y Salud Publico a reuni cu un grupo di specialistanan di salubridad di Medellin, Colombia

Diahuebs mainta Minister di Turismo & Salud Publico, sr. Dangui Oduber tawata tin e honor pa ricibi un delegacion di un grupo di dokter y representantenan di diferente hospitalnan y institucionan di Medellin Colombia, encabesa pa Camera di Comercio y HollandHouse Colombia. E bishita di e delegacion di Colombia ta den cuadro di un “trade mission” cu Aruba.

E meta di e bishita di e grupo di specialistanan di Colombia, tawata uno informativo pa asina haya un miho bista ariba con e sector di cuida na Aruba ta organisa.

Temanan di interes cu a ser discuti ta lo siguiente: Minister Oduber a duna un splicacion amplio di nos sistema di seguro di cuida social esta AZV, cual ta basa ariba solidarismo. Tambe a enfoca ariba e plan y vision di Ministerio di Salud pa reenforza prome liña di cuida na Aruba, ampliacion di specialistanan medico conhuntamente cu cooperacion den region. Ademas un bista di e AruBIG a ser duna y a enfoca riba Aruba su plan di prevencion y turismo medico.

Minister Dangui Oduber a keda masha contento cu e reunion cu e specialistanan, cu a muestra interes amplio pa intercambia ideanan y experticionan den e area di salud pa asina sigui ofrece un bon calidad di cuida na nos hendenan.



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Den conexion cu inauguracion di e onderstation nobo

## ELMAR a inverti un suma di 10 miyon florin pa sigura cu suministro di coriente ta continuo y confiabel

**D**iabierna atardi, Minister di Energia Glenbert Croes tabata presente na e inauguracion di e onderstation nobo di ELMAR na Sabana Blanco. E mandatario a expresa di ta sumamente contento cu e proyecto aki a keda inaugura y cu e inversion grandi aki lo sigura cu e suministro di coriente lo tuma luga di un forma continuo y confiabel pa henter comunidad.

“Awe ta un dia grandi pa ELMAR. Awe ta un dia grandi pa Aruba cu inauguracion di e substation nobo na Sabana Blanco.” E inversion grandi aki, ta muestra di e compromiso cu ELMAR tin, como compania di pueblo, pa traha na bienestar di nos comunidad. Minister Croes a splica si, cu ainda no a yega e punto na unda por duna e siguransa cu coriente no ta bay, pero ta trahando duro pa minimalisa e molester cu e baymento di coriente ta causa, ora cu p.e. tin un problema den e sistema of durante un accidente of kabelnan di 50 aña bieu cu mester wordo renoba. Como Minister di Energia, Glenbert Croes a reuni cu ELMAR y cu Utilities pa pidi nan pa accelera tur e inversionnan. E mandatario a sigura ambos



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compania estatal, cu nan tin e sosten y apoyo di Gobierno.

“E substation aki, tin un inversion di 10 miyon florin y lo contribui enormemente den a plan di ELMAR pa mehora e confiabilidad, e calidad y e continuidad den suministro di coriente. Mi ta hopi orguyoso di e hunta di directiva, di e director, di tur empleado y di e contratistanan di ELMAR pa e gran trabou cu nan a bin ta desplegando, pa asina por duna un miho servicio di suministro di coriente na comunidad.

Un pabien na tur esnan cu ta labora na ELMAR cu e proyecto aki y danki pa boso esfuerzo y dedicacion na mehoracion di e servicio di coriente na nos clientenan” Minister Croes a expresa.



## AHATA y CMMA ta uni forza pa preveni traficacion di hende

Aruba Hotel & Tourism Association (AHATA), den colaboracion cu Coördinatiecentrum Mensenhandel Mensensmokkel Aruba (CMMA), a organisa 2 sesion informativo pa conscientisa su miembronan tocante traficacion di hende.

E sesionnan facilita pa Jeannette Richardson, Coordinado Nacional y Directora di CMMA, ta diseña pa ekipa e personal den sector di hospitalidad y turismo cu e conocimiento necesario pa reconoce e señalnan di traficacion di hende y con pa denuncia un caso.

Personal di diferente departamento a participa, incluyendo Gerentenan General, Bellmen, personal di Housekeeping, personal di Recepcion, Servers, Beach Attendants y Bartenders. Di e manera aki por uni forza y mehora e chens cu un posibel caso ta wordo identifica y por salba un victima di nan situacion. E reaccion di e participantenan a resalta e balor y importancia di e iniciativa aki.

Di e manera aki, AHATA ta sigui inverti den e desaroyo di su miembronan y ta hunga un rol activo den e prevencion di



traficacion di hende pa asina sigui mehora e seguridad no solamente den e sector di turismo, pero di tur persona riba nos isla.

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## Inauguracion di nos Onderstation nobo na Sabana Blanco

**E**LMAR ta masha contento pa anuncia e inauguracion oficial di e onderstation di Sabana Blanco nobo cu ta un logro sumamente importante, marcando e culminacion di un proyecto cu no solamente ta vital pa ELMAR, sino tambe pa henter comunidad Arubano.

Den e red di distribucion di ELMAR, nos Onderstation Sabana Blanco tin un rol importante, e ta transmiti coriente na 4 transformer di 60mil volt, cualnan ta Sabana Blanco mes y alabes na nos onderstationnan na Paardenbaai, Tanki Leendert y Palm Beach. E 4 transformernan aki hunto ta suministra mas di 10mil cliente cu coriente, cual ta 20% di e total clientenan di ELMAR, cu ta un total di 50mil cliente.

Na 2019 nos a wordo informa door di e compania GE cu no lo sigui duna apoyomas na e instalacion anterior, pues cu componentenan tambe ta bira obsoleto. Mesora ELMAR tambe a cuminsa pensa ariba otro opcion y despues di hopi deliberacion y estudio, a opta pa bay over pa construi un edificio nobo y reemplasa e ekipo aki pa uno mas moderno y mas compacto di e compania Hitachi, cu tabata anteriormente ABB.

E onderstation ta traha cu e posibilidad pa expande riba energia den futuro, considerando expansion riba proyectonan electrico, y alabes e crecimiento di demanda den areanan hotelero. E demanda pa electricidad na Aruba a aumenta y ta sigui aumenta drasticamente. ELMAR semper a sa di hiba un manejo moderno y eficiente y cu un organisacion hopi avansa y integralmente computarisa cla pa sigui ofrece e pueblo di Aruba un servicio optimal. E instalacion aki ta conecta riba nos smartgrid cu ta duna ELMAR e posibilidad di opera y monitor e instalacion for di distancia tambe.



For di ELMAR, e proyecto aki a wordo lidera di principio door di nos ex-empleado Ingeniero Ronnie De Lannoy cu ta disfrutando di su pension pa 2 aña caba. Sigui pa nos ingeniero Etienne Wever cu a bira e 'project leader' encarga cu supervision di e construccion di nos onderstation nobo y tabata envolvi den tur fase di e desaroyo di nos onderstation.

E Onderstation nobo aki na Sabana Blanco a wordo dedica na nos ex-colega Julius Egbert "Bert" Lampe d.f.m. Ken tabata Bert Lampe? Bert Lampe a dedica 38 aña di servicio na nos compania y tabata un empleado ehemplar cu tabata eherce su trabou cu hopi dedicacion.

Den tempo cu no tabata tin tanto tecnologia manera nos conoce awor, nos por a bisa cu Bert tabata conoce e red di distribucion casi completo for di su cabes. No tabata tin ningun reto cu Bert no tabata dispuesto pa resolve y semper cu un tranquilidad y un sonrisa ariba su cara.

Pa a logra e proyecto aki, a conta cu colaboracion di diferente departamento manera Innovation & Engineering, Planning & Projects, Grid Quality Management y Underground Services. Tur e departamentonan aki a traha hunto pa asina por duna e servicio mas optimo y sigura un suministro di coriente electrico confiabel y di calidad. Esaki cu asistencia di e compania cu a traha e instalacion di GIS 60kV esta ABB/HITACHI, y tambe asistencia di e compania PRYSMIAN pa realoca e kabelnan di 60KV for di e instalacion existente y conectanan riba e instalacion nobo.

Nos kier gradici e comunidad di Aruba pa nan sosten continuo y comprension durante cualkier reto cu por a surgi den distribucion di coriente durante e periodo cu a traha riba e Onderstation. Nos ta extende nos gratitud na tur persona cu a hunga un rol ya sea directo of indirecto den e proyecto di nos onderstation nobo na Sabana Blanco, incluyendo nos stakeholders y empleadonan, esnan encarga cu e construccion di e edificio of instalacion den e edificio. Masha danki!





Dia 4 di november

## Un “Great Day” pa McDonald’s Aruba y Centro Man na Obra

Riba e dia aki, Arcos Dorados, e frankesa independiente di McDonald’s mas grandi na mundo, cu ta opera e cadena di restaurantnan di servicio rapido mas grandi di Latino America y Caribe, lo duna tur fondo obteni di e benta di Big Macs na e fundacion local, Centro Man na Obra.

ARUBA, 30 OCTOBER 2023, McDonald’s Aruba ta lansa oficialmente e edicion 2023 di e campaña “Great Day”. Riba diasabra, 20 di november, tur benta di e famoso Big Mac lo wordo dona na e fundacion local, Centro Man na Obra di SVGA.

E evento aki ta reforsa e compromiso di McDonald’s pa logra un impacto positivo den e comunidad local, door di sostene iniciativanan cu ta duna miho oportunidadnan na nos localnan y yuda nan crea un miho futuro. Ofrece oportunidad na nos hobennan local ta un di McDonald’s su pilarnan.

Tur tres localidad di McDonald’s lo tuma parti na e proyecto, pero riba e dia di “Great Day” McDonald’s na Seroe Blanco lo tin un celebracion special pa esnan cu ta bishita e restaurant. Lo tin entretenimento di DJ Eli y durante oranan trempan clientenan lo wordo di mainta trempan por ripara caranan conoci di nos embahadoranan y Influencers,

Cuminsando mainta trempan, nos clientenan lo wordo saluda cu un sonrisa caluroso di nos famoso embahadora y Influencer nan, Pierangely Wever, Crystal Leito y Vanessa Leer a.k.a. DJ V, cu lo yama clientenan bon bini sea na e

servicio di Drive-Thru of take out parti paden. Desde atardi desde 5 or di atardi te 7:30pm lo tin entretenimento di DJ Eli hunto cu actividadnan pa nos muchanan, lo tin competencia di pintamento, pintamento di cara y otro atraccionnan dibertido.

SVGA, Stichting voor Verstandelijk Gehandicapten Aruba ta un organisacion dedica na personanan cu limitacionnan intelectual. E mision di e organisacion ta pa duna atencion, orientacion y educacion na e personanan aki, yudando nan pa bira mas independiente segun nan habilidadnan. E vision ta pa ofrece cuido y educacion pa mehora nan calidad di bida den comunidad door diferente programa y iniciativanan. E balornan fundamental ta pa adopta y i integracion, aceptacion, normalisacion y educacion.

McDonald’s Seroe Blanco lo celebra E” Gran Dia “riba 4 di november na un forma festivo cu musica y diferente actividad. For di awe, cualke persona of compania local por muestra nan sosten dor di cumpra un coupon Big Mac of McCombo Big Mac na Centro Man Na Obra of na un di e restaurantnan di McDonald’s riba e isla. Esaki ta nifica cu no mester warda te dia 4; Bo por bo aporta di awor!

Ban yuda cu e gran causa aki pa empodera personanan di Centro Man na Obra cu e compra di un Big Mac y celebra na grandi riba dia di e “Great Day” pasobra cada Big Mac ta conta. Pa mas informacion tocante e evento, bishita nan Facebook page [McDonaldsAruba](#).

## Anochi informativo na University of Aruba

Ta un placer pa Universidad di Aruba (UA) invita Bo na nos anochi di informacion, diajuebs 2 di November. University of Aruba, ta orguyoso di presenta 8 area mayor di concentracion banda di un ‘Academic Foundation Year’ extenso cu ta permiti e studiantenan habri ful nan potencial educacional. University of Aruba, ta ofrece un scala di actividad extracurricular, guia di estudio y programa interno cu ta promove salud general, bienestar y crecimiento personal. Nos ‘Erasmus Grant’ partnernan global ta ofrece tambe e studiantenan oportunidad excitante pa studia den exterior.

Nos portanan lo ta habri 6.00pm pa informacion general di

Arubalening, sigui pa presentacion cu lo cuminsa di 6:30 PM. Cera conoci cu nos docentenan, estudiante y nos comunidad academico. Bo lo tin e oportunidad di siña mas di cierto facultad specifico, Arubalening, nos programa Shoco Wellness.

UA ta evoluciona exponencialmente manteniendo e calidad cu nos studiantenan a bin ta spera. E studiantenan di UA tabata exitoso na tur institucion, tanto den nos comunidad como pafo di Aruba. Durante e temponan insegur aki, Bo por conta riba e compromiso di UA pa ofrece un educacion estelar y pagabel. Bin mira kico bo por logra na Universidad di Aruba.

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Pasion p'e idioma Hulandes? Esaki t'e momento pa cuminsa mustra interes!

# Inscripcion p'e estudio di Bachelor Nederlands als Vreemde Taal ta habri

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**E**studio di Bachelor Nederlands als Vreemde Taal ta un estudio pa bira docente di Hulandes. E estudio aki ta prepara bo pa uza e formanan mas nobo pa duna les di Hulandes, teniendo cuenta cu idioma Hulandes ta un idioma stranhero pa mayoria di nos alumnonan aki na Aruba.

Alabes bo ta siña guia e alumnonan pa nan por siña tanto e idioma mes, como e aspectonan cultural di e idioma Hulandes.

## Informacion di Bachelor Nederlands als Vreemde Taal

Pa informacion mas amplio di e estudio bay na nos website [www.ipaaruba.com](http://www.ipaaruba.com), scoge pa 'opleidingen' sigui pa 'Bachelor Nederlands als Vreemde Taal'. Aki bo lo haya entre otro informacion tocante contenido di e estudio, rekisito pa por haci e estudio y gasto di e estudio.

Durante IPA su open dag, dia 4 di november 2023, lo ofrece dos sesion di informacion general di Bachelor Nederlands als Vreemde Taal cu bo lo por atende. E orario di sesion 1 ta 10:30am y di sesion 2 ta 11:30 am.

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Pa por inscribi, bishita e website [www.ipaaruba.com](http://www.ipaaruba.com), bay na aanmelden y scoge pa 'Bachelor Nederlands als Vreemde Taal'. Na februari 2025 inscripcion ta cera pa e estudio di Bachelor Nederlands als Vreemde Taal. Pa tur cu inscribi prome cu maart 2024 por participa na e Test di Admision, na mei 2024. Lo tin oportunidad pa herkansing na mei 2025.

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## Ministerio di Asuntonan General lo inverti 400 mil florin den e proyecto Edutech fund p'e siguiente año



**R**ecientemente, durante un conferencia di prensa organisa pa FUTURA, Prome Minister Evelyn Wever-Croes hunto cu Minister di Enseñansa Endy Croes, a anuncia cu e proyecto importante di innovacion EduTech Fund, lo continua. E proyecto di innovacion aki, a yuda un total di 12 scol na Aruba, adkiri nan materialnan digital, facilitando e maestronan den nan sistema di duna les, y haciendo enseñansa mas atractivo y agradabel pa e muchanan.

Prome Minister a indica cu e prome año di EduTech tabata un exito total, mirando cu FUTURA a ricibi un total di 50 aplicacion di scolnan cu ta interesa pa participa. Esaki sigur ta muestra di e potencial grandi cu e proyecto aki tin, y e deseo di e scolnan, pa crea un ambiente innovativo na scol. Durante e prome año di EduTech, Gobierno a inverti e suma di Afl. 415,000 pa cumpli na duna e 12 scolnan ganado nan materialnan digital, cu nan a gana. Esaki sigur ta un muestra grandi cu pa Gabinete Wever-Croes II, enseñansa ta un prioridad.

Mirando e interes grandi di parti di e scolnan pa participa na e proyecto di innovacion aki, y e resultadonan positivo cu e proyecto aki a trece cu ne den e prome año, Gobierno di Aruba a tuma e decision pa aloca un suma di 400 mil florin pa e proyecto aki por continua, dunando asina oportunidad na mas scol pa por gana materialnan digital necesario pa

yuda eleva nan sistema di enseñansa.

Pa admira e fruto cu e proyecto aki a duna, y pa mira e dedicacion cu cada scol tin pa cu innovacion den enseñansa, Prome Minister, a bishita diferente scol, mirando asina, e trabounan di innovacion cu cada scol a haci y ta haciendo. Durante su bishita, Prome Minister por a nota con importante e proyecto aki ta, den stimula innovacion, tecnologia, y interactividad den e scolnan na Aruba.

*“Mi a keda sumamente impresionada, di mira e creatividad cu cada scol a desplega pa a gana e proyecto di innovacion. Mi ta gradici tur scol cu a aplica na e iniciativa di EduTech, y pa diseña y aplica cu un concepto diferente. Nos di Gobierno ta orguyoso di EduTech como cu ta e propio maestro/maestranan di cada scol ta diseña e proyectonan, identificando retonan y oportunidadnan cu kisas un ‘outsider’ no lo por. Danki pa kere den innovacion, y pa e esfuerzo pa por eleva educacion na Aruba, y e experiencia di e estudiante y maestro/maestranan den klas. Danki pa kere cu innovacion ta e yabi pa nos sigui. Mi ta gradici tambe Minister di Enseñansa Endy Croes cu semper ta cla pa permiti nos y yuda den e proyectonan aki”* Prome Minister a expresa.

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A premia dos Rubiano memey di 500 hotel Marriott den region

# Aruba a sobresali den manejo financiero y den recurso humano

**D**os ehecutivo na Aruba Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino a ricibi un homenahe special, na nivel internacional, pa nan forma di traha, cu ta sirbi awo como ehempel pa e mas di 500 hotelnan Marriott situa den Latino America y Caribe. Raymond Habibe a ricibi e premio di “Financial Leader of the Region” mientras cu Ruthline Theysen a regresa Aruba cu dos premio den man, esta e “Excellence in People Brand” y “Human Resources Leader of the Region”. Ambos tabata presente na e evento cu a tuma luga den Marriott na Cancun, Mexico, unda ehecutivonan di henter Latino America y di e area di Caribe a topa pa e ceremonia CALA Region Conference. Tambe tabatin lidernan di e headquarter di Marriott International presente.

## E premionan

Pa loke ta e “Financial Leader of the Region Award” otorga na Raymond Habibe, ta pa celebra cu tur individual cu ta consistente ta demostra un trabou excepcional, cu hopi dedicacion y compromiso pa logra bon resultado. Lidernan financiero cu ta surpasa tur expectativa y haci mas di locual ta spera di nan, ta bira mesora embahador di standardnan halto den excelencia.

Di otro banda, “Excellence in People Brand” ta reconoce ekiponan cu a contribui significantemente den hisa y promove e marca di Marriott como un dunado di trabou. Ta celebra cu esnan cu a demostra dedicacion excepcional, creatividad y pensamiento strategico den comparti e marca di dunado di trabou den atrae y mantene talentonan na trabou. Y e ultimo, “Human Resources Leader of the Region Award”, ta pa reconoce profesionalnan excepcional di Recurso Humano cu a contribui den un manera sobresaliente pa cu e obhectivonan comercial di e compania y a inspira excelencia den recurso humano. E premio ta honra profesionalnan den Recurso Humano cu ta bay mas leu cu locual ta rekeri di nan na trabou, superando tur expectativa y promoviendo un standard halto den excelencia.

## Ruthline Theysen ta encabesa Recurso Humano

Ruthline Theysen tin 10 aña trahando na Aruba Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino y recientemente a logra algo historico pa e compania. “Mi ta hopi agradecido, emociona y excited cu nos a gana e premio”, tabata su prome reaccion. E logro aki sigur ta prueba cu “trabou duro ta paga”. Aruba Marriott a ricibi reconocemento for di CALA Region



*Riba e foto por aprecia e ekipo di ehecutivonan na cabes di e compleho di Aruba Marriott Resort, Marriott's Aruba Surf Club, Marriott's Aruba Ocean Club y Stellaris Casino.*

entre mas di 500 hotel, e logro aki ta algo cu ta hopi cerca di e curason di Ruthline.

## A traha extra duro den aña 2022

Na aña 2022 a logra recluta un total di 422 hende pa traha na Aruba Marriott y tur tabata local. A haci esaki den un tempo cortico. A haci esaki door di traha un plan di mercadeo unicamente pa Recurso Humano, p'asina comunidad haya sa tocante e beneficiacion di Aruba Marriott. Pa hopi aña largo Aruba Marriott ta duna e balans entre trabou y bida.

## Aruba Marriott tin un di e miho paketenan laboral

Kisas hopi hende no ta na altura pero na Aruba Marriott e trahadonan conoce unicamente 5 dia di trabou y como tal ta gosa di 2 dia liber pa siman! Ademas, tin beneficio cu ta inclui cuido profesional pa salud mental, pues si un asociado of su famia tin mester di ayudo profesional Aruba Marriott ta ofrece nan e ayudo necesario. E aña aki lo ta mescos. Aña pasa a promove un total di 137 asociado di Aruba Marriott. Tabatin un total di 1000 asociado y awo tin un total di 1300 asociado. Te cu awo, den aña 2023, ta conta cu un total di como 50 promocion interno.

## Tocante Ruthline Theysen

Ruthline Theysen a cuminsa su carera na aña 1996 na un otro compania, pues 27 aña pasa. El a cuminsa como HR Filing Clerk y alabes a traha part time come Kids Club/Health Club Attendant y despues a bira

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HR Administrative Assistant y promovi na aña 2001 pa prome bes den posicion di gerencia como Employment Manager y despues como Training & Employee Relations Manager. El a traha 11 aña na e prome hotel y despues na un otro a bira Director of Human Resources y despues a sigui pa un otro cadena di hotel te cu el a cera. Dies aña pasa el a haya e oportunidad na Aruba Marriott como Complex Director of Human Resources, e ta atende Ocean Club, Surf Club y Resort & Casino. Theysen ta masha agradecido cu Aruba Marriott mirando cu e compania ta kere den talento local.

### Trabou tin...trahado mester

Aruba Marriott ta inverti den e hende y ta kere cu e hende tin un balor den e exito di e compania. Ainda tin posicion habri maske cu e ta menos cu e averahe normal. Normalmente tin 150 posicion habri pa siman y awo tin 30 pa 50 posicion pa siman, esaki sigur ta un logro grandi. Tin hopi interes pa traha na Aruba Marriott, diariamente ta haya miles di aplicacion cu ta hopi pa pasa den nan pero “keda cu pasenshi, nos lo yega na bo”.

### Raymond Habibe ta encabesa e departamento di finansa

Raymond Habibe a haya un reconocimiento special for di Marriott. E tin 25 aña trahando den e industria. El a yega di traha na varios hotel aki na Aruba y semper a traha cu masha orguyo. Awo e ta sinti su mes mas orguyoso cu nunca pasobra e reconocimiento ricibi ta pa e parti financiero cu su departamento ta duna na e operacion di Aruba Marriott. Esaki sigur ta un ehempel pa e otronan sigui cu ne. For di un grupo di alrededor 500 hotel, Aruba Marriott ta esun cu e bay cu e reconocimiento aki.

Raymond Habibe ta sinti su mes orguyoso como Arubiano, pasobra su oficina ta uno 100% Arubiano yena cu hoben y hende creativo cu ta duna un servicio sublime pa loke ta e parti financiero. Sin duda, esaki ta un ehempel pa tur e hotelnan na Aruba y afo. E team di Finance & Accounting ta consisti di mas o menos 65 hende. Tur ta parti den diferente aspecto mirando cu nan ta duna servicio na tur tres resort den e compleho di Aruba Marriott. Tin un parti cu ta encarga cu Timeshare, un parti cu Procurement, un parti encarga cu Control & Finance y un parti cu ta encarga cu Casino. Sin duda e ta un departamento grandi pero nan ta haci un trabou sublime.

### Finansa = control

Den aspecto di control, segun Raymond Habibe, nan ta haci hopi internal control, loke ta encera cu nan ta controla e hotel pa garantiza cu e ta opera segun e proceduranan di Marriott. Aruba ta un ehempel den e region. Nan ta duna nan un score y Aruba a haya un di e scorenan di mas halto. Den aspecto financiero, nan ta haci esaki hopi lihe y tur e aspectonan aki a pone cu Aruba a gana.



*Aruba a gana tres premio durante un ceremonia grandi na Mexico unda mas di 500 hotel Marriott for di Latino America y Caribe tabata presente. Dos di e premionan tabata pa excelencia den Recurso Humano.*

### Habibe ta un lider den e region

Raymond Habibe a gana e premio di “Financial Leader of the Region Award”. Ta entrega e premio aki na individualnan cu ta demostra un actuacion excepcional di forma consistente, dedicacion y un compromiso pa logra miho resultadonan. “Raymond Habibe ta un colega ehecutivo cu tur General Manager lo desea di tin den nan ekipo. Inteligente, strategico y impulsivo”, asina Raoul Lemmerling, Complex General Manager di Aruba Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino a duna di conoce. Den su discurso ela bisa tambe di ta sumamente contento y orguyoso pa cu e premionan aki.

### Bishita internacional pa felicita Aruba

Alex Fiz, Area Vice President Caribbean & All-Inclusive Marriott International, a bin Aruba specialmente pa ta presenta na ocasion di e celebracion pa e premionan aki. El a inicia su discurso yamando pabien na tur e asociadonan di Aruba Marriott pa e reconocimiento debidamente mereci.

Fiz no por a keda sin expresa su gratitud cu Aruba Marriott y Marriott Vacation Club pa e tremendo trabou cu nan ta eherciendo door di cuida e huespednan, pero sin lubida e asociadonan.



Minister Geoffrey Wever:

## Arubaverse 2.0 cu su segundo Meet Up na San Nicolas: kico ta Web 3.0?



Diaranson 25 di october a tuma luga e di dos edicion di Arubaverse 2.0 na The Hub den Caya Principal di San Nicolas. E biaha aki a toca e tema di Web 3.0, kico e ta, y kico e ta nifica pa e economia di futuro? Minister di Asunto Economico, Geoffrey Wever, ta contento di por provee sessionnan educativo manera Arubaverse 2.0, mirando cu kier fomenta un ambiente empresarial innovativo y moderno cu ta acapara San Nicolas y Aruba pa e economia di futuro.

Internet a cambia desde su inicio na 1990. E prome version, Web 1.0, tabata primordialmente pa comparti informacion. Rond di añanan 2004 e internet a transforma y bira hopi mas interactivo pa no solamente informacion pero tambe pa comunica y intercambia cu otro. Esaki ta considera e comienso di Web 2.0, y cu esaki tambe a cuminsa e era di coleccion di data riba e usuarionan.

Web 3.0 ta considera e proximo paso di e internet, y cu esaki ta importante pa papia riba e posibel efecto y oportunidadnan cu ta presenta su mes. Web 3.0 ta basa riba un concepto caminda mester tin transparencia den tur dato cu ta ser colecta y uza. E sistema di “Blockchain” riba cual e Web 3.0 ta basa, lo permiti pa por ehempel efectua compra y benta (Smart Contracts) di real estate, haci pago of manda placa pa otro instantemente y na un forma cu ta “by-pass” e

mediador, esta notario of e banco den e ehempelnan aki. Na 2015 e tecnologia di Ethereum historicamente a eherce un Smart Contract, caminda a registra e pago di placa digital y a transferi e propiedad di un persona pa otro, cual a ser registra den e ‘Ledger’.

Den tecnologia di Blockchain, un ‘Ledger’ ta un registro digital distribui y descentralisa cu ta warda un historia cronologico y inmutabel di tur transaccion y datonan relaciona cu un network di Blockchain specifico. E registro specifico aki ta conoci como e “blockchain” mes. E ta contene un cadena di bloknan, caminda cada blok ta contene un grupo di transaccionnan of datonan, y cada blok nobo ta conecta cu e anterior, creando un registro sigur y transparente di historia di e network.

Mundo ta moviendo den un direccion digital. Tin camindanan largo pa cana pa perfecciona tecnologianan existente, pero tambe pa update nos sistemanan di educacion y legislacion pa por adapta na e desaroyonan tecnologico cu t’ey transforma con economia mundial lo draai den futuro. Ta di sumo importancia cu nos como pais, y nos ciudadanonan posiciona nos mes pa por no solamente sobrevivi, pero prospera den e era nobo sin cu nos ta keda (demasiado) atras.



# Arroz frito tailandés con piña y pollo

Arroz frito tailandés con pollo y piña: ¡una comida rápida y fácil entre semana que es muy sabrosa!  
Para equilibrar el sabroso sabor, agregar piña fresca cortada en cubitos le da un toque de dulzura.

## Receta

TIEMPO PREVIO: 10 minutos

HORA DE COCINAR: 20 minutos

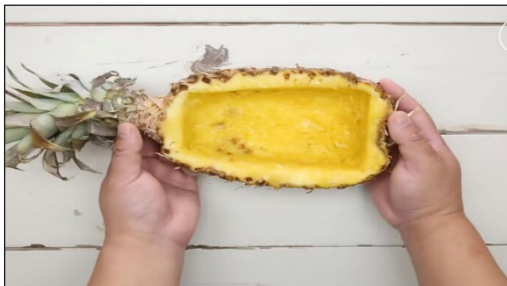
TIEMPO TOTAL: 30 minutos

2 SERVICIO

## Ingredientes:

- 1 piña entera
- 2 cucharadas aceite de oliva
- 5 onzas pechuga de pollo
- 1 cucharada mantequilla de ajo
- 1 1/3 onzas cebolla, cortada en cubitos
- 1 cucharadita polvo de curry
- 1/2 taza de salsa de tomate
- 1 onza verduras mixtas
- 1 onza leche de coco
- 1 onza gránulos de coco secos
- 1/2 cucharadita sal
- 1/2 cucharadita pimienta negra
- 5 onzas arroz cocido
- 1/4 taza de queso

## Direccione:



1 - Corta la piña por la mitad a lo largo. Saque la carne de cada mitad de la piña. Corta la carne en cubos de 1/4 de pulgada. (Solo usarás 1 taza de cubos y guardarás el resto para la ensalada). Vacía el jugo que queda en la cáscara y reserva para colocar el plato terminado en las cáscaras de piña más tarde.



2 - Ponga el fuego a fuego alto y agregue 2 cucharadas de aceite de oliva en una sartén antiadherente mediana. Agregue las pechugas de pollo y cocine por ambos lados hasta que estén doradas. Sazone con sal y pimienta negra por ambos lados mientras cocina.



3 - Corta las pechugas de pollo cocidas en cubos pequeños.



4 - En una sartén a fuego alto, agregue la mantequilla de ajo y la cebolla. Revuelva bien y luego agregue los cubos de pollo, el curry en polvo, el ketchup y las verduras mixtas. Mezclar bien y cocinar por unos minutos. Agregue la leche de coco y los gránulos de coco secos. Mezcle bien, luego agregue 1/2 cucharadita de sal y una pizca de pimienta negra, revuelva y mezcle. Agregue el arroz cocido en la sartén; mezclar bien con todo.



5 - Coloque la mezcla de arroz frito en la cáscara de piña. Y cubra con piña fresca cortada en cubitos y queso. Hornee a 400°F/200°C durante 10 minutos.



Listo para servir



## Fortaleza pa Famia

# No haci bofon di Dios

**ORA** nos sa masha, masha bon kico ta boluntad di Dios, y nos ta bay encontra di dje, nos ta haciendo bofon di Dios.

Ora nos sa e berdad y nos no ta respeta e berdad, pero toch nos kier pasa na banda di e berdad pa complace nos mes y otronan nos ta haci burla di Dios.

Ora nos ta hunga cu pica, y ta negligisha consecuencia di pica, nos ta haciendo bofon di Dios.

Ora nos propio opinion, y capricho ta bini prome cu boluntad di Dios, nos ta rechasa y haci bofon di Dios.

Un bofonado di Dios ta un persona cu sa di persuadi otronan, pa su deseo y su capricho, prevalece aunke e tin di bay contra palabra, principio y boluntad di Dios.

Un bofonador no ta importa cuanto hende e tin di gaña, of pone tropica, basta e mira su deseo cumpli.

Bofon ta di bini for di e diabel kende ta gusta distrai y cende hende pa nan bay contra Dios y contra e palabra di Dios, pasobra diabel tin placer den division y engaño (Genesis 3:1-7).

Bendiciona ta e hende cu no ta cana den conseho di malvadonan, ni ta para den caminda di pecadornan. Ma su delicia ta den e ley di Señor y den Su ley e ta medita di dia y anochi (Salmo 1:1-2)

Nos ta den un tempo cu hopi bofonador lo lanta, hende nan sin escrupulo, cu no ta importa ken tin di bira victima, basta nan mira nan orguyo prevalece.

Pero nan ta lubida locual e palabra di Dios ta bisa den Romanonan 2:5-6: Ma pa motibo di bo capricho y bo curason cu no kier arepentí, bo ta montona furia pa bo mes, den e dia di furia y revelacion di e huicio husto di Dios. Kende lo paga cada ken segun su obra.

Ma sabi prome cu tur cos, cu den e ultimo dianan bofonadornan lo bin cu nan bofon, siguiendo nan mes pasion (2 Pedro 3:3).

Ma boso rumannan stima, mester corda e palabranan cu a wordo papia di antemano door di e apostelnan di Señor



Hesus Cristo, cu nan tabata bisa boso: Den e ultimo tempo lo bin bofonadornan cu ta sigui tras di nan mes pasionnan perverso. Esakinan ta esnan cu ta causa division, hende nan sensual cu no tin e Spirito (1 Judas 1:17-18-19).

Conoce e berdad y apoya maldad, ta pone hende cay den inmoralidad, perversidad, y asina nan ta kere den fabula.

Hende bobo ta haci bofon di pica, ma e favor di Dios ta biba cerca e rectonan, (Proverbionan 14:9).

Pasobra Dios no a yama nos pa ta impuro, ma pa hiba un bida santo. P'esey esun cu ta rechasa esaki, no ta hende e ta rechasa, sino e Dios cu ta duna su Spirito Santo na boso.

E wowonan di Señor ta tur caminda, vigilando malo y bon (Proverbionan 15:3).

No gaña boso mes, Dios no ta laga haci bofon di dj'E: pasobra loke un hende sembra, esaki tambe e lo cosecha. Pasobra esun cu sembra pa su mes carni lo cosecha corrupcion for di e carni. Ma esun cu sembra pa e Spirito lo cosecha bida eterno for di e Spirito (Galationan 6:7-8).

Awor ta e tempo pa nos para mas fiel cu nunca riba e palabra y principionan di Dios, awor ta e tempo pa nos oracion, no debilita, pero tur dia wordo fortifica cu e poder di e Spirito Santo, pa asina nos por reconoce, reprende y cancela e maldad, y para firme den e bondad di Dios.



## Entrevista di Siman cu Parlamentario Hendrik Tevreden: Como Lider di Fraccion (MEP) lo sigui enfoca riba union, comunicacion y un vision comun

**D**ia 12 september 2023 a duna inicio na un Aña Parlamentario nobo y hunto cu ne, Fraccion di MEP tambe a conoce un Lider di Fraccion nobo den persona di Hendrik Tevreden.

Sr. Tevreden, for di 2017 a bira Parlamentario durante Gabinete Wever-Croes I y actualmente, cu Gabinete Wever-Croes II, el a asumi e posicion di Lider di Fraccion di MEP, despues cu su colega Parlamentario Shailiny Tromp-Lee no por a continua pa motibonan personal.

Hendrik Tevreden a crece den e barrio di Dakota. El a studia Enfermeria y despues a specialisa su mes den Enfermeria Social-Psikiatrico pa asina duna ayudo profesional na esnan cu adiccion. Diescincu aña di su tempo el a dedica na yuda esnan den adiccion y problema mental. “Mi por conecta hopi bon cu esnan cu tin e problema di adiccion, mirando cu mi a crece den un situacion similar unda cu mi a mira e fenomeno aki hopi cerca den mi cas, con adiccion por destrui un famia. Danki Dios cu E a warda mi di e bicio ey di adiccion. Pero, si m’a mira hopi amigo di mi, conocirnan di mi cu a pasa den esaki. Mi ta kere p’esey m’a haya asina un pasion pa yuda hendenan cu ta den e problema ey”, a declara.

Actualmente, den politica y den e posicion di Lider di Fraccion di MEP, e ta confronta retonan nobo y el a duna di conoce cu su vision ta pa como fraccion nan por sigui representa pueblo di un manera digno, pero tambe vocifera nan preocupacion como profesional, no solamente den sala di Parlamento, pero den gobernacion en general. “E idea ta pa cada un, pasobra nos ta nuebe den fraccion, pa cada un di nos, cu tin diferente ‘background’ por concentra ariba nos metanan como individual profesional, y tambe logra e metanan comun cu nos ya a stipula ora cu nos a drenta Parlamento como fraccion”, a bisa.

Con por haci esaki? Door di logra keda uni, keda comunica y keda pone Aruba prome. E linea ta pa den e proximo dos añanan cu

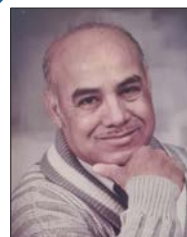
falta, completa e vision cu nos a fiha na comienzo y pa esaki cada miembro di fraccion tin di yuda carga pa nos por logr’e pa Aruba y e totalidad. “Mi meta principal ta pa purba na empuha coleganan pa logra mas cu por di nan potencial. Mi ta kere cu ora bo ta lidera e ta bon pa bo no ta e prome, pero e ultimo. Dicon? pasobra e ora bo tin e oportunidad pa empuha e otro pa logra su meta y asina como lider bo ta logra parti di bo meta tambe. Si bo team logra, esey ta parti di bo logro”, a declara.

Sinembargo, el a splica cu e sa cu no ta algo facil, pasobra ta trata akinan di un grupo di hende cu pensamiento y ideanan diferente. Y cu semper nan por opta pa no sigui den union. Pero no ta algo imposibel ora cu nos keda pone e deseo pa e miho pa nos pais

como mision prome.

E secreto pa nos tin exito como ekipo ta di sigui tin un bon comunicacion, sigui ta transparente cu otro, pero tambe honesto. P’esey tur momento e ta purba y ta continua pa ta habri cu su coleganan y splica nan cu parti di su tempo, tumando e responsabilidad di lider di fraccion, ta pa guia y yuda nan alcanza nan metanan cu nan kier mira realisa pa Aruba.

El a finalisa bisando cu e resto di e tempo ta pa e por logra su propositonan como representante di pueblo, y e grupo-meta cu kier mira avansa mas, esnan den adiccion y problemanan social.



**Aurora**  
*Royal Pray*  
Funeral Home & Crematory

Lo E seka tur lágrima for di nan wowo, I morto lo no eksisti mas: lo no tin nada di rou, nada di yoramento, nada di dolo mas, pasobra tur kos di antes a pasa bai. Rev. 21:4

Nos ta anuncia fayecimento di:

**Ignacio Thomas Loefstop**

Miher conoci como: “Cuchi”  
\*03-05-1933 - \*30-10-2023

Acto di despedida lo wordo anuncia despues



**Aurora**  
*Royal Pray*  
Funeral Home & Crematory

“Dios ta amor... y amor ta Dios,  
maske mi no ta na e mundo aki, tur dia lo mi ta  
banda di boso Curazon, mi por stens di loke Señor  
ta hasi”  
Salmo 33

Cu dolor na nos curason, nos ta participa  
fayecimento di nos ser stima:

**Edna Ludwina  
Gil Barrios- Peña**

Cariñosamente yama “Etty”  
\*28-12-1962 - †28-10-2023

Acto di entierro lo wordo anuncia despues



**Aurora**  
*Royal Pray*  
Funeral Home & Crematory

Jezus zij tegen haar: Ik ben  
de Opstanding en het leven; wie  
in Mij gelooft, zal leven, ook al  
was hij gestorven,

en ieder die leeft en in Mij gelooft,  
zal niet sterven in  
eeuwigheid. Gelooft u dat?  
Johannes 11: 25-26

Wij kondigen het overlijden aan van

**Siegfried  
Coromoto Holsman**

\*20-05-1958 - †25-10-2023

De uitvaart wordt op een later tijdstip bekend  
gemaakt.



**Aurora**  
*Royal Pray*  
Funeral Home & Crematory

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he  
leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths  
of righteousness for his name's sake.

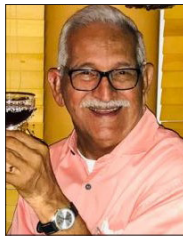
With great sorrow in our hearts, we announce  
that passing of our beloved mother, sister, friend  
grandmother, great grandmother, cousin &  
confidante:

**Hendrica Teresita  
Leerdam Hanson**

better known as: “Drika”  
\*11-09-1934 - †24-10-2023

Date & place of funeral will be announced later.





"Y es que nada podría cambiar lo que siento, te voyas o te quedes, te seguiré amando igual"  
-Jose Urbano-

Cu inmenso dolor den nos curazon, nos ta anuncia fayecimento di:

## Marcelino (Lin) Kock

\*24 januari, 1938 - †28 oktober, 2023  
"Lid in de Orde van Oranje-Nassau"

Na number di:

**Casa:**

Maria Eugenia Kock Alvarez Arroyave

**Viudo di** Susana Kock-Wever

**Yiunan:**

Suzette (Siouxsie) Kock

Marcelino Gerald (Gino) Kock

**Nieto:** Siouxtou Stoorvogel y Zeline Jones

**Nieta:**

Suzenne Stoorvogel y Erjean de Mey

Larisse Kock y Stiven Melchor

Celine Kock

**Bisanieta:**

Emylia de Mey

Willow-Mae Melchor Kock

**Manera yiu:**

Detty Coffi-Wever

Lizabeth Noguera-Gómez

Diana Jimenez Gomes

**Ruman:**

† Adriana Kock

† Souer Graciela Kock

† Deonísio Kock y Praxedes De Mey y familia

† Fernando y Mena Kock-Croes y familia

Olga y Theofilo Vrolijk-Kock y familia

† Innocencio y Lisi Kock-Camacho y familia

Jose Kock y Maria Giron y familia

† Ricardo y Judith Kock-v/d Linden y familia

Lidwina y Tico Maduro-Kock

† Elizabeth Kock y familia

**Suegra:** † Blanca Stella Arroyave

**Sua:** Hector Pablo Alvarez

**Amigonan di cas y hopi special:**

Lizabeth Noguera-Gómez, Diana Jiménez-Gomes, Edilma Gordillo, Luny Sinning, Marina Franken, Ligia Rojas Camacho, Robert Restrepo, Teofilo Brete, Maria Inés Zamora, Laureano Viaña, Omaira Ochoa, Judith Bernal, Edilma Simplicio Henriquez, Lina Victoria Carrillo, Josephine Nouel, Jose Simplicio Henriquez

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Subrina y subrinanan, primo y primonan, hijanan, amigo y amiganan, ex-coleganan, y demas familia.

Familia lo desea pa bini bisti na colonan alegre.

Si den nos tristesa nos por a lubida un of otro familia, nos ta pidi nos mas sincero disculpa.

Ta invita demas familia, bisña, amigo- y conocirnan pa e acto di despedida cu lo tuma lugar di **2 November 2023** di 2'or pa 4'or di atardi na Misa San Francisco na Playa.

Nos ta lamenta cu no ta ricibi bishita di condolencia na cas prome y despues di entierro.



Lagrima y floran por seca, pero bo imagen y recuerdonan lo keda semper bibo den nos curason.

Cu inmenso tristesa nos ta participa fayecimento inespera na edad di 90 aña, nos Mama, Wela y Bisawela stima;

## sra. Senobia Maria de Cuba - van der Linden

Cariñosamente yama  
"Chichia of Mama Chia"  
\* 01-07-1933 - † 28-10-2023

**Na number di su estimado esposo:**

† Arpilio (Bubu) de Cuba

**Na number di su jiunan:**

Debbie de Cuba

Frank y Mary de Cuba - Vrolijk

Darline (Susett) de Cuba

Haroll de Cuba

**Nieto y nietanan stima:**

Deborah Geerman

Melissa y Michael Vrolijk - de Cuba

Charissa de Cuba y Jason Koolman

Suleima de Cuba y Marc Wolter

Jowald de Cuba y Denise de Cuba

Jerrick de Cuba

**Bisanietonan stima:**

Daryann y Damaris Gonzalez - Perez

Skyler Vrolijk

**Rumannan:**

† sra. Fabia van der Linden y familia

† sr. Francisco (Chico) y † Lidia van der Linden - Flanegin

† sra. Francisca (Ica) y † Hilario Bislip - van der Linden

† sr. Honorato (Buchi) y Beatriz van der Linden - Ras

**Sobrinonan:**

Myron van der Linden - Nancy Echeverry y jiunan Gino y Xiomara

Arnaldo y Anky van der Linden - Vrolijk y jiunan Paula-

Andrea y Kyrrah

Jonathan y Jessica van der Linden - Camacho y jiu

Mathias

Mirto van der Linden y familia

Mayito (Chamaco) van der Linden y familia

**Sobrinanan:**

Jesmine y Giovanni di Vecchia - van der Linden y jiu

Gabriella

Meldith y Leo Geerman - van der Linden y jiu Nayla

Melva y Lucho Croes - van der Linden y jiunan Kenrick

y Gilia

Agnes van der Linden y familia

**Ihanan:**

Grace de Cuba

Eve Kock

Nos ta agradecido na tur ayudante di Mama Chia: Sonny Arends, Ivan Almenares, Jeanette Arends, Maria y Lucas, Tayrina Arrindell, Danella de Cuba, Marina y tur personal di WGK.

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Kier a invita tur amigo bisña y conocir pa asisti na e acto di entierro cual lo tuma lugar **Diahuebs 2 di November 2023** di 2or pa 4or na Pray funeral Home na San Nicolaas y despues Sali pa Santana Catholico na Savaneta

Oportunidad pa condolencia: Diaranson 01 November 2023 di 7or pa 9or di anochi na Pray Funeral Home na San Nicolaas.

Si en caso den nos tristesa nos por a lubida algun persona of familia, nos ta pidi nos mas sincero disculpa.



"Señor ta mi wardador, mi'n tin falta di nada  
Den cunucu di yerba berde e ta ponemi sosiega.  
E ta hibami na awa frankil,  
Pa mi bolbe haña forsa".  
Salmo: 23

Nos ta anuncia fayecimento di:

## Olga Betulia Kock-Romero

\*12-03-1930 - †26-10-2023

Acto di entierro lo wordo anuncia despues.

Mi no a muri.

Ta pesey mi no a bisa ayo.

Mi a djies habri mi halanan,

y bula bai keiro. Boso a keda atras.

No laga tristesa domina boso.

Keda uni un cu otro pa mi alma,

Esey lo ta un alegria.

Recorda mi cu hopi amor.

Cu dolor na nos curason pero conforme cu boluntad di Dios nos ta anuncia fayecimento di nos Casa, Mama, Ruman, Wela y Tanta stima:

## Lillian Marilyn Helder-Wathey

Cariñosamente yama:

"Pechi of Mom"

\*10-02-1959 - †21-10-2023



**Na number di su casa:** Albert (Buchi) Helder

**Yiu Stima:** Kathleen Marilyn Wathey

**Nieta stima:** Keyla Amilia Wathey

**Manera yiunan:** Dea Soglonier

Angelo Helder

Gio Helder

Edward Wathey

Harold wathey.

**Rumanan:** Wifred Wathey Y Glenda Wathey

†Harold Wathey y Familia

†Franklin Wathey y †Donna Arends

Shirley Geerman y Rami geerman

Alison Geerman

Tanta

Janneth Wathey.

**Swa y Cunanan:** Rami Geerman

Glenda Wathey

Donna Arends

Tuty Geerman (manera Ruman)

Subrino y subrinanan, primo y primanan, amigo y amiganan y demas famianan y conocirnan

**Demas famianan:** Wathey,Helder, Geerman, De cuba, Hallman, Dubero, Croes,Wever, Peterson, Arends.

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# ELMAR INVESTS 10 MILLION FLORINS TO ENSURE CONTINUOUS AND RELIABLE POWER SUPPLY





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## ELMAR Invests 10 Million Florins to Ensure Continuous and Reliable Power Supply



**ON** Friday evening, Minister of Energy, Glenbert Croes, was present at the inauguration of ELMAR's new substation in Sabana Blanco. The minister expressed his great satisfaction with the completion of this project and highlighted the significant investment that will ensure a continuous and reliable power supply for the entire community.

*"Today is a great day for ELMAR. Today is a great day for Aruba with the inauguration of the new substation in Sabana Blanco." This substantial investment is a testament to ELMAR's commitment as a community-focused company working towards the well-being of our community.*

Minister Croes explained that while we have not reached a point where we can guarantee uninterrupted power, the company is diligently working to minimize inconveniences,

such as power outages caused by system issues, accidents, or the need to renew aging 50-year-old cables. As the Minister of Energy, Glenbert Croes held meetings with ELMAR and Utilities to request the acceleration of all necessary investments. He assured both state-owned companies of the government's full support and backing.

*"This substation, with an investment of 10 million florins, will significantly contribute to ELMAR's plan to enhance the reliability, quality, and continuity of the power supply. I am extremely proud of the board, the director, all the employees, and ELMAR's contractors for their hard work in deploying this project to provide an improved power supply service to the community. Congratulations to all those working at ELMAR for their dedication and efforts in enhancing the power service to our clients,"* Minister Croes expressed.



# AHATA and CMMA Join Forces to Prevent Human Trafficking

**THE** Aruba Hotel & Tourism Association (AHATA), in collaboration with the Coordination Center for Human Trafficking and Smuggling in Aruba (CMMA), organized two informative sessions to raise awareness among its members regarding human trafficking. The sessions, facilitated by Jeannette Richardson, National Coordinator and Director of CMMA, were designed to equip hospitality and tourism sector personnel with the knowledge to recognize signs of human trafficking and how to report a case.

Staff from various departments participated, including General Managers, Bellmen, Housekeeping staff, Receptionists, Servers, Beach Attendants, and Bartenders. By doing so, they can unite and increase the chances of identifying a potential case,



ultimately saving a victim from their situation. Participants' feedback highlighted the value and importance of this initiative.

In this way, AHATA continues to invest in the development of its members and plays an active role in the prevention of human trafficking, aiming to improve

security not only in the tourism sector but also for everyone on the island.

AHATA expresses its gratitude to the Aruba Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino for their collaboration by providing the ballroom where the informative sessions took place.

## Minister of Tourism and Public Health Welcomes Colombian Healthcare Specialists

**ON** Thursday morning, the Minister of Tourism & Public Health, Mr. Dangui Oduber, had the honor of receiving a delegation of a group of doctors and representatives from various hospitals and institutions in Medellin, Colombia, led by the Chamber of Commerce and HollandHouse Colombia. The Colombian delegation's visit is part of a trade mission with Aruba.

The goal of the Colombian specialists' group visit was to obtain insight into how the healthcare sector in Aruba is organized. Topics of interest discussed included an extensive explanation by Minister Oduber of our social healthcare insurance system, which is based on solidarity. He also emphasized the Ministry of Health's plan and vision to strengthen primary care in Aruba, expand medical specialists, and regional cooperation. In addition, an overview of AruBIG was provided, focusing on Aruba's prevention plan and medical tourism.



Minister Dangui Oduber was very pleased with the meeting with the specialists, who showed a keen interest in exchanging ideas and expertise in the healthcare field to continue providing high-quality care to our people.



## The Ministry of General Affairs will invest 400,000 florins in the Edutech Fund project for the coming year



**RECENTLY**, during a press conference organized by FUTURA, Prime Minister Evelyn Wever-Croes, along with Minister of Education Endy Croes, announced that the significant innovation project, EduTech Fund, will continue. This innovation project has helped a total of 12 schools in Aruba acquire digital materials, making it easier for teachers to deliver lessons and creating a more engaging and enjoyable learning experience for students.

The Prime Minister indicated that the first year of EduTech was a total success, as FUTURA received a total of 50 applications from schools interested in participating. This demonstrates the significant potential that this project holds and the desire of schools to create an innovative environment in education. During the first year of EduTech, the Aruban Government invested a total of AWG 415,000 to provide the 12 winning schools with the necessary digital materials. This is a clear demonstration that for the Wever-Croes Cabinet II, education is a priority.

Seeing the high interest from schools to participate in this innovation project and the positive results it has brought in the first year, the Aruban Government has decided to allocate an additional amount of 400,000 florins to ensure the continuation of this project, providing more schools with the

opportunity to acquire the necessary digital materials to enhance their education system.

To appreciate the achievements that this project has brought and the dedication of each school to innovation in education, the Prime Minister visited different schools. During these visits, the Prime Minister noted the importance of this project in stimulating innovation, technology, and interactivity in schools in Aruba.

*"I have been extremely impressed by the creativity that each school has demonstrated in winning the innovation project. I am grateful to every school that applied to the EduTech initiative and designed and implemented a different concept. Our government is proud of EduTech because the teachers themselves in each school design the projects, identifying challenges and opportunities that an outsider might not notice. Thanks for believing in innovation and for the effort to improve education in Aruba and the experience of students and teachers in the classroom. I also thank Minister of Education Endy Croes, who is always ready to allow us to contribute to these projects,"* Prime Minister expressed.

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# Trump's Resilience Shines at Republican Conference Amidst Rivalry



A gathering of Republican presidential hopefuls, expectations for a collective effort to challenge Donald Trump were replaced by a striking display of the former president's enduring dominance in the race. Despite recent controversies, Trump received the most resounding applause at the Republican Jewish Coalition's annual conference, overshadowing his competitors.

Notably, Trump made no reference to his recent comments criticizing Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and describing Hezbollah as "very smart." His avoidance of these issues did not deter the audience's support.

The departure of Trump's former vice president, Mike Pence, from the race was a clear indicator of Trump's unwavering control over the party. Pence's withdrawal symbolized the futility of standing against Trump's efforts to overturn the

2020 election results.

Trump's rivals had hoped for a platform to challenge him at the event, but most refrained from direct attacks. Even prominent figures like Nikki Haley, who emerged as one of Trump's main rivals, took a softer approach.

For now, Trump remains the frontrunner in a crowded field of Republican candidates. Despite expectations of a competitive primary, Trump's lead has held steady. His avoidance of primary debates has limited his rivals' ability to challenge him directly.

As the campaign progresses, Trump's resilience and consistent support within the party signal the challenges his competitors face in dethroning the former president. The hope among non-Trump campaigns for a winnowed field may take longer to materialize than anticipated.



# Judiciary in the Netherlands Grapples with Escalating Threats and Violence



A recent survey conducted by Investico and De Groene Amsterdammer has shed light on the growing threats and violence faced by judges and public prosecutors in the Netherlands. According to the survey, half of these legal professionals have encountered threats during their careers, with one in 10 refusing to handle cases due to concerns for their personal safety.

Of the prosecutors surveyed, two-thirds reported threats, including online intimidation, courtroom aggression, and even doorstep confrontations. A significant portion of these threats is linked to organized crime cases, exemplified by the ongoing Marengo trial involving 17 defendants accused of gangland killings.

This surge in violence and intimidation has left 40% of prosecutors and judges feeling less safe over the past five years. In response, some cases are now handled by multiple professionals to avoid a single name appearing on the file. Tragically, three individuals associated with the Marengo trial have been murdered, leading to heightened

police protection for those involved in the case.

The judiciary's struggle to combat increasing threats and violence has raised concerns about their safety and ability to effectively perform their duties. Legal professionals are calling for measures like financial compensation and a pool of judges for high-risk cases.

These challenges in the judiciary reflect a broader issue of polarization in society, which is impacting not only legal professionals but also journalists, politicians, and lawyers. The results of this survey highlight the urgent need to address these security concerns within the Netherlands' legal system.

## Dutch Parliament Agrees to Implement E-Cigarette Tax Ahead of EU Regulations

A decisive move, Dutch MPs has called for the incumbent government to enact legislation introducing a tax on e-cigarettes. The government had initially planned to await the implementation of pan-European regulations. However, given the anticipated delay until 2026, ministers are willing to take unilateral action as desired by MPs.

This decision came after MPs voted in favor of a motion put forward by the D66 party, providing the caretaker cabinet with the necessary authorization to proceed. The primary motivation behind this move is to curb the increased use of e-cigarettes and vapes among young people.

Research conducted by the Trimbos addiction institute revealed that one in five individuals under the age of 25 in the Netherlands uses a vape. Alarming, 70% of these vape users also smoke traditional tobacco cigarettes. Additionally, the legal age of 18 for purchasing vapes is widely disregarded, while online sales of these products have thrived.

Vaping currently offers a significantly more affordable alternative to traditional cigarette smoking. The cost of a pack



of cigarettes has surged to approximately €11, whereas an electronic cigarette containing nicotine equivalent to two cigarette packs costs around €6. The Dutch government's decision to introduce an e-cigarette tax aims to address these concerns and deter increased usage, especially among young adults.



# German Chancellor Olaf Scholz Explores Investment Opportunities in Nigeria's Energy and Mineral Sectors



**GERMAN** Chancellor Olaf Scholz embarked on a visit to Nigeria, signaling Germany's keen interest in investing in the African nation's gas and critical minerals sectors. During a joint briefing with Nigerian President Bola Tinubu, Scholz expressed Germany's willingness to explore investment prospects in these critical areas.

One notable aspect of this visit is the emphasis on expanding the country's involvement in the energy-rich region, which Germany has traditionally had limited engagement with. Scholz lauded Nigeria's efforts to increase its liquefied natural gas (LNG) capacity, viewing this as an opportunity for German companies to engage in private enterprise, potentially enhancing gas exports.

Furthermore, Scholz and Tinubu discussed the potential for German businesses to invest in pipelines within Nigeria, which could have a substantial impact on the nation's energy infrastructure.

Nigeria's mining sector, historically underdeveloped and contributing less than 1% to the country's GDP, also attracted interest from German companies. Although specific details were not disclosed, Scholz indicated a willingness to engage in railway projects, a sector currently dominated by Chinese firms in Nigeria.

Scholz also held discussions with the president of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) to address concerns about the recent military coups in neighboring nations, emphasizing the need for collective action to prevent the recurrence of such events in the region.





A Key to Rangers' Success

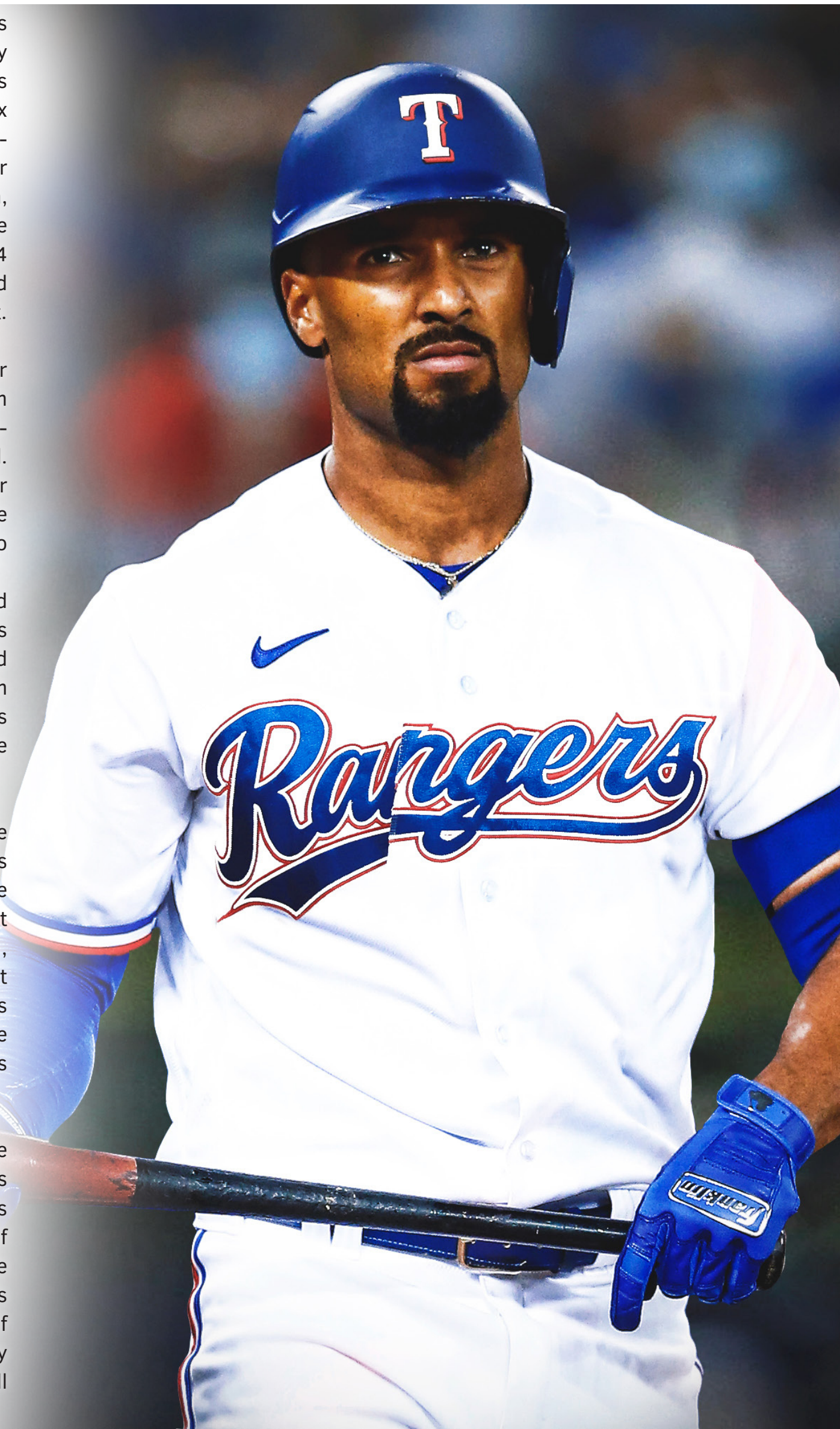
# Marcus Semien's World Series Struggles

**THE** 2023 World Series, Marcus Semien's bat has been notably silent, but his impact on the Texas Rangers goes far beyond the box score. While many of his teammates have been swinging their way through the postseason, Semien's struggles at the plate are evident. In four out of the 14 postseason games, he's been held hitless, averaging just .194 at-bat.

Despite a promising regular season, where he led the American League in hits, Semien's post-season performance has lagged. He stands as the only regular Rangers starter without a home run this month and has only two extra-base hits since October 10. However, his fellow players and the Rangers' management see his value beyond the statistics. Praised as the "best second baseman in baseball defensively," Semien's leadership and commitment make him an essential part of the team.

As the Rangers chase their first title since 2011, they've found success without Semien's usual offensive contributions. His slump doesn't diminish his influence on the team, and his dedication to improvement remains unwavering. Regardless of his performance, his presence elevates the Rangers, inspiring his teammates to strive for more.

Semien's journey may not be without challenges, but his long and industrious career has prepared him for the grind of baseball. In this World Series, he has a limited number of games left to make his mark, but even if he doesn't, his reputation as a key player in the Rangers' success will remain intact.





# Blaney's Victory Earns Him a Shot at the Cup Series Title



**RYAN** Blaney secured a spot in the NASCAR Cup Series championship race with a spectacular win at Martinsville. While he didn't need the victory to contend for the title, his first-ever career win at Martinsville solidified his spot as one of the final four drivers competing at Phoenix Raceway on November 5.

In the closing laps of the race, Blaney outperformed Aric Almirola and Denny Hamlin, gaining the coveted win. He joins Christopher Bell, Kyle Larson, and William Byron as they prepare to race for the championship title.

The race brought high-stakes eliminations. Hamlin, who needed a win to continue his title hopes, faced elimination, alongside pole-sitter Martin Truex Jr., Tyler Reddick, and Chris Buescher.

Blaney, who started the race fourth in the standings, successfully navigated the cut-line drama, securing his position among the championship contenders. The suspense revolved around William Byron, who had a comfortable points lead but failed to score stage points, creating an opportunity for Blaney and Hamlin to claim a dominant presence.

Byron's ability to enter the final four came down to him making up positions, relying on Blaney's win, and Hamlin's loss. In the end, Byron managed to clinch the final spot with less than a ten-point difference. The race showcased Blaney's impressive performance, leading for 145 laps and

securing his shot at the Cup Series title.

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History-Making Final Score:

## Cowboys' Blowout Win Ends in Rare NFL Scorigami



A game filled with unexpected twists and turns, the Dallas Cowboys' blowout win over the Los Angeles Rams ended with a historic final score, marking a unique moment in NFL history. The term for this rare occurrence is "scorigami," where the game concludes with a final score that has never been recorded in NFL history.

During the final moments of the match, the Cowboys were leading the Rams 43-17, which did not constitute a scorigami. However, with just a few minutes left, the Rams managed to

secure a 47-yard field goal from Lucas Havrisik, resulting in a final score of 43-20. This marked the first occurrence in NFL history with this precise final score, making it the 1,079th unique final score in the league's history.

The rare scoring outcome was partly due to a safety that occurred in the first quarter when Dallas' Sam Evans blocked a punt by Ethan Evans. In total, the Cowboys achieved five touchdowns, two field goals, and the safety in their dominant performance.

Notably, this isn't the first time the Cowboys have been involved in a scorigami. They have participated in three such games since the beginning of the 2021 season, with their last one taking place on December 4, 2022, when they defeated the Colts 54-19.

The Rams, on the other hand, had not been part of a scorigami since October 2021, when they triumphed over the Giants 38-11. The 2023 season has already produced four scorigamis in eight weeks, a remarkable pace compared to just four scorigamis throughout the entire 2022 season.

While Sergio Pérez Faces Home Race Nightmare

## Max Verstappen Claims 16th Victory in Mexico Grand Prix

A roller coaster race at the Mexico Grand Prix, Max Verstappen secured his 16th win of the season, setting a new record for victories in a single Formula 1 season, surpassing the previous record of 15, also held by Verstappen. Furthermore, this victory marked his 51st overall win, equalling the total wins of the legendary Alain Prost.

Starting in the third position, behind Ferrari's Charles Leclerc and Carlos Sainz, Verstappen made an exceptional start, surpassing both Ferrari drivers before the first corner.

However, Sergio Pérez's home race turned into a nightmare when he collided with Leclerc during the first lap and subsequently retired from the race, much to the disappointment of the Mexican crowd.

Verstappen extended his lead throughout the race, while Lewis Hamilton, who initially trailed in fourth place, made his way to second. A red flag incident occurred after Kevin Magnussen's crash, disrupting the race.



Following the restart, Verstappen maintained his lead, finishing first with a significant gap. His success combined with PSV's victory over Ajax created an extraordinary day for the Dutch driver.

The Mexico Grand Prix showcased Verstappen's dominance in Formula 1 and further solidified his bid for the world championship.



# Chevron's \$53 Billion Deal Opens Gateway to Guyana's Offshore Oil Reserves



A strategic move, Chevron recently acquired Hess for \$53 billion, granting the American energy giant access to one of the most promising prospects in the global resources sector: Guyana's offshore oil reserves estimated at a staggering 11 billion barrels. This acquisition marks a significant development in the fossil fuel industry, with Guyana emerging as a new and remarkable player.

Guyana's potential as a fossil fuel producer initially garnered little attention until 2015 when ExxonMobil, in collaboration with Hess and Chinese company Cnooc, struck gold in the Stabroek Block. Since that pivotal discovery, the consortium has continued to make more than 30 significant findings, setting in motion a steady stream of oil production. This steady output is set to provide a lifeline for both Exxon and Chevron in the crude oil business for the foreseeable future.

The economic transformation of Guyana, a nation with one of the lowest per capita incomes in Latin America, is underway. The speed of its ascent as an oil-producing nation is remarkable, having grown from zero to 390,000 barrels a day in just one year. The IMF anticipates a further 38% expansion in its economy for 2023.

However, this transformation occurs at a time when the world is increasingly looking to transition away from fossil fuels. Critics have raised concerns about the environmental implications and the terms of the contracts between oil

companies and Guyana. This has led to calls for potential renegotiations.

Despite the concerns, advocates of these investments argue that they hold the potential to significantly bolster Guyana's economy. The country is already seeking more favorable terms in future agreements, making it a noteworthy player in the evolving landscape of the oil industry.

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The New Manufacturing Hubs:

# Countries Eager to Replace China



**CHINA'S** dominant position in global manufacturing is facing challenges as various factors prompt companies to rethink their supply chains. The US-China trade war, climate risks, cyber threats, and the ongoing pandemic are driving firms to explore new manufacturing hubs. Several countries are vying to replace China as the world's next major manufacturing center.

**Vietnam:** Vietnam has become a major beneficiary of the trade war, offering cheap labor, political stability, and liberalized trade policies. Tech giants like Apple have relocated some of their operations to Vietnam.

**Mexico:** Mexico is emerging as a favorable destination for US companies, attracting investments and proximity to the US for near-shoring. Companies like Foxconn and Pegatron, known for their work with Apple, are considering shifting operations to Mexico.

**India:** India's "Made in India" initiative, spearheaded by

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, aims to attract manufacturing investments and become a global manufacturing hub. The country is encouraging smartphone brands to manufacture in India, but regulatory hurdles have been a challenge.

**Malaysia:** Malaysia experienced a surge in foreign investment between 2018 and 2019, primarily from the US. However, the trade loss with China has affected the tech industry, which relies on Chinese components.

**Singapore:** Singapore is repositioning itself as a manufacturing hub with its stable economic growth, trade policies, and investment-friendly environment. However, the trade war and decreased demand from China have posed challenges.

These countries aim to capitalize on the shifting landscape of global manufacturing and potentially reduce their dependence on China, fostering economic growth and diversification.



# Embracing Advanced Technology in the Corporate World

**AN** era marked by relentless innovation and digital transformation, advanced technology has become the driving force behind corporate success. As businesses adapt to an ever-evolving landscape, the integration of cutting-edge technologies has proven to be a catalyst for growth and competitiveness.

## Enhanced Efficiency and Productivity

One of the primary benefits of advanced technology in the corporate world is its ability to enhance efficiency and productivity. Automation and artificial intelligence (AI) have streamlined various business processes, reducing manual labor and allowing employees to focus on higher-value tasks. From data analysis to customer service, technology-driven solutions have revolutionized how work gets done.

## Data-Driven Decision-Making

Advanced technology equips corporations with powerful tools for data collection, analysis, and interpretation. Big data analytics and machine learning algorithms enable organizations to make informed decisions based on real-time insights. This data-driven approach enhances strategic planning, optimizes marketing efforts, and identifies trends and opportunities that might otherwise go unnoticed.

## Seamless Collaboration and Communication

The corporate world is no longer confined by physical borders, thanks to advanced communication and collaboration tools. Video conferencing, cloud-based software, and virtual workspaces have made global collaboration effortless. Companies can tap into a global talent pool, fostering diversity and harnessing a broad range of skills.



## Cybersecurity and Risk Mitigation

As technology advances, so does the sophistication of cyber threats. In response, corporations have invested in cutting-edge cybersecurity measures to protect their data and infrastructure. Advanced firewalls, encryption, and threat detection systems help safeguard sensitive information, reassuring both clients and stakeholders.

## Customer-Centric Approach

Advanced technology has revolutionized customer service. Chatbots and AI-driven virtual assistants provide immediate responses to customer inquiries, ensuring a seamless and personalized experience. Companies that leverage these technologies exhibit a customer-centric approach that builds loyalty and trust.

## Environmental Responsibility

Sustainability is no longer an option but an imperative. Advanced technology has enabled corporations to reduce their carbon footprint by implementing energy-efficient systems and sustainable practices. From paperless offices to eco-friendly manufacturing, technology supports a commitment to environmental responsibility.

## Competitive Edge

In today's business landscape, innovation is synonymous with survival. Companies that embrace advanced technology gain a significant competitive edge. They can stay ahead of industry trends, adapt to changing customer demands, and be the first to market with groundbreaking products and services.

## Resilience and Adaptability

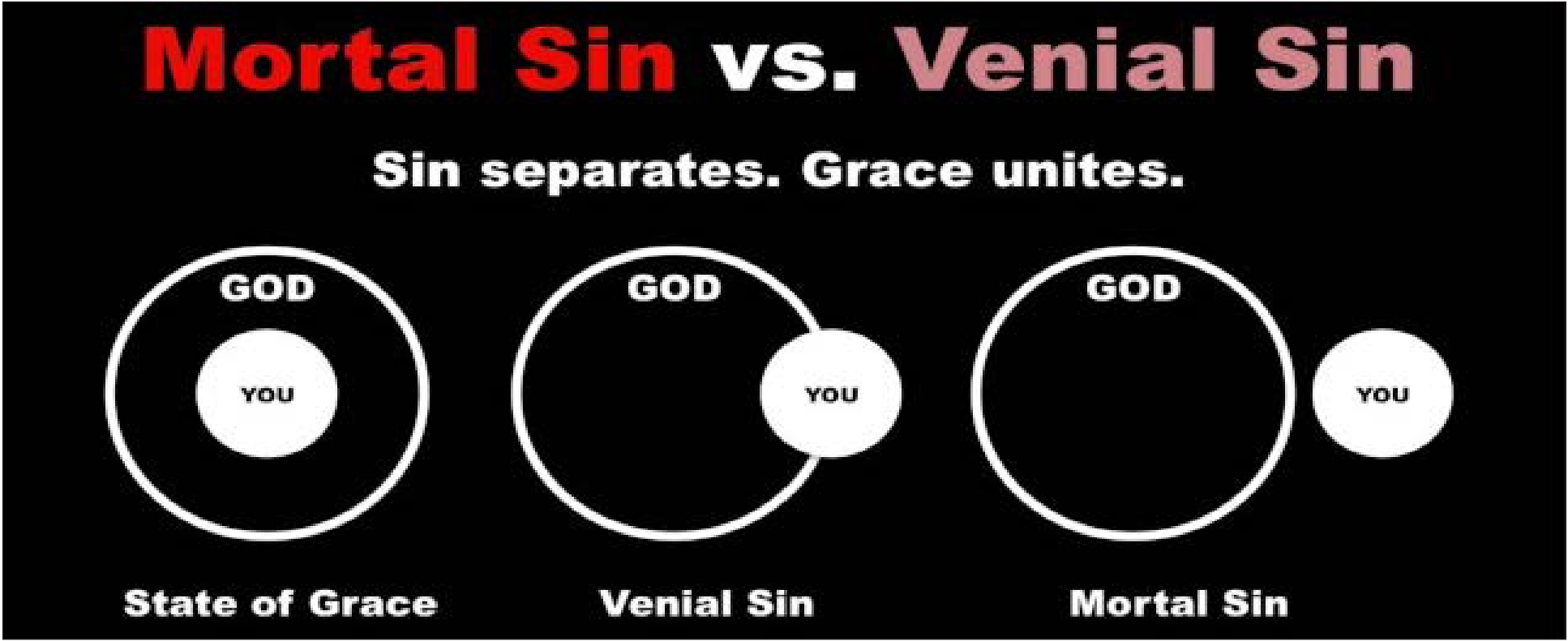
The corporate world is no stranger to unforeseen challenges, as recent global events have demonstrated. Advanced technology provides corporations with the agility and adaptability needed to thrive in turbulent times. Cloud computing, remote work solutions, and digital marketing strategies are just a few examples of how technology enhances resilience.

As the corporate world continues to evolve, the integration of advanced technology remains paramount. Embracing these innovations is not merely an option; it's a necessity for those who seek to thrive and lead in a rapidly changing environment. In doing so, businesses can harness the power of technology to drive efficiency, foster innovation, and create a more prosperous and sustainable future.



Understanding the Gravitas of Sin:

# Venial vs. Mortal Sins



**THE** realm of moral theology, the concept of sin has long been a focal point of contemplation and reflection. In several religious traditions, notably Christianity, sins are categorized into two fundamental groups: venial and mortal. These categories offer a nuanced framework for understanding the gravity of human transgressions and the consequences they bear on one’s spiritual journey.

**Venial Sins: A Closer Look**

Venial sins, often referred to as “forgivable” sins, are the less severe of the two categories. They are considered as minor transgressions that do not rupture the connection between the soul and the divine. While venial sins are still recognized as sinful acts, they are akin to imperfections that weaken the soul’s relationship with the divine rather than entirely severing it.

**Mortal Sins: A Weighty Responsibility**

Conversely, mortal sins are regarded as grave offenses with profound implications. Committing a mortal sin is believed to be a deliberate and conscious rejection of God’s grace and love, damaging the soul to the extent that it leads to the separation of the soul from the divine. These sins are considered to be of a significant magnitude, involving actions such as murder, adultery, or blasphemy.

**The Three Criteria for Mortal Sins**

To qualify as a mortal sin, an action must meet three specific criteria. First, it must involve grave matter, such as a serious moral offense. Second, the individual must have full knowledge of the gravity of the act. Third, the act must be committed with deliberate consent and intention. It is this

triad of conditions that elevates an act from venial to mortal status.

**Venial Sins: Everyday Imperfections**

Venial sins, by contrast, encompass everyday imperfections and faults. While still constituting sinful actions, they fall short of meeting the criteria for mortal sins. Venial sins may include minor lies, selfishness, impatience, and other less severe moral transgressions that human beings may commit in the course of their lives.

**The Path to Atonement and Forgiveness**

Both venial and mortal sins can be atoned for and forgiven through repentance and spiritual reconciliation in Christian traditions. However, the process and consequences of seeking forgiveness differ significantly. Mortal sins necessitate genuine contrition and the formal sacrament of confession to restore the soul’s relationship with the divine. Venial sins, while still demanding repentance, may be forgiven through informal acts of contrition, such as personal prayer or reflection.

The differentiation between venial and mortal sins represents a pivotal aspect of moral theology within various religious traditions. This distinction serves as a guideline for evaluating the seriousness of human actions and their impact on the individual’s spiritual journey.

While both categories of sin can ultimately be absolved through contrition and reconciliation, their criteria and repercussions underscore the profound complexity of moral judgment and the pursuit of spiritual growth.



Amethyst:

# The Royal Purple Gem with a Rich History and Versatile Uses

**AMETHYST**, with its captivating violet hue, is a gemstone renowned for its beauty and storied history. This precious stone has been treasured by civilizations for millennia, and its uses extend beyond just adornment. In this article, we explore the history and various uses of amethyst.

## A Glimpse into Amethyst's History:

Amethyst's history can be traced back to ancient times. Its name is derived from the Greek word "amethystos," which means "not drunken." The ancient Greeks believed that wearing or drinking from amethyst vessels could prevent intoxication. This belief led to the association of amethyst with sobriety and clarity of mind, making it a popular choice among the elite.

The ancient Egyptians, Romans, and even the Catholic Church held amethyst in high regard. In ancient Egypt, it was used in jewelry, while the Romans incorporated it into their intaglio designs, amulets, and cameos. The Catholic Church used amethyst in rings worn by bishops, symbolizing spiritual wisdom.

## Physical Properties and Sources:

Amethyst is a variety of quartz, and its purple color is a result of the presence of iron and aluminum impurities. It can range from pale lilac to deep purple, with the most valuable specimens having a rich, saturated color. Amethyst is found in various locations around the world, including Brazil, Uruguay, Zambia, and the United States.

## Uses of Amethyst:

**Jewelry:** Amethyst's vibrant purple color makes it a popular choice for jewelry. It is often used in rings, necklaces, earrings, and bracelets. Amethyst jewelry is not only aesthetically pleasing but is also believed to bring calm and balance to the wearer.

**Spiritual and Healing Properties:** Amethyst is associated with spiritual and healing qualities. It is believed to enhance intuition, promote emotional balance, and provide protection against negative energies. Many people use amethyst in meditation and energy healing practices.

**Home Decor:** Amethyst geodes and clusters are used in home decor to add a touch of natural beauty and positive energy to living spaces. The deep purple crystals create a calming and harmonious atmosphere.

**Metaphysical and Crystal Therapy:** Amethyst is a favorite



among practitioners of crystal therapy. It is thought to assist in spiritual growth, stress reduction, and enhancing one's connection to higher consciousness.

**Sobriety and Clarity:** While not a substitute for professional treatment, amethyst's historical association with sobriety and clarity of mind still holds meaning for some individuals in addiction recovery.

**Amethyst in Art:** Amethyst has been used in art and ornamentation for centuries. Its stunning color and relative affordability have made it a favorite among artists and artisans.

Amethyst's enduring allure stems from its rich history and multifaceted uses. Whether you seek its aesthetic beauty in jewelry, its spiritual and healing properties, or simply wish to add a touch of elegance to your home, amethyst offers a spectrum of possibilities. This gemstone stands as a testament to the timeless fascination of human civilization with the world of minerals and the beauty they bestow upon us.



“Armchair Critics”:

# Unmasking the Keyboard Connoisseurs

**THE** vast realm of opinions, discussions, and online debates, there exists a peculiar breed of individuals often referred to as “armchair critics.” These are the folks who passionately dissect, criticize, and analyze various aspects of life, often from the comfort of their own chairs, without ever stepping into the arena of action themselves. While they may have their reasons for remaining on the sidelines, let’s take a lighthearted journey to unmask these keyboard connoisseurs and perhaps share a chuckle or two along the way.

## The Internet’s Resident Experts

Armchair critics have found their natural habitat on the internet, where they lurk in the comments section of articles, blog posts, and social media threads. Armed with an arsenal of opinions and a handy keyboard, they swiftly jump into discussions to deliver their verdicts on every topic imaginable.

## The Eternal Pundits

These self-proclaimed pundits can be found critiquing everything from politics and sports to fashion and food. They seem to have an unending well of knowledge on every subject and are not afraid to share it, even if their actual expertise is dubious at best.

## The Curious Case of the “Backseat Experts”

One distinctive trait of the armchair critic is their unwavering confidence in their judgments. They’re quick to offer solutions and insights without ever having practical experience in the matter. It’s as if they believe that, by sheer virtue of sharing their wisdom, the world’s problems will miraculously be solved.

## Masterful Trolls or Genuine Pundits?

The line between armchair critics and



trolls can be a thin one. While some of these individuals genuinely believe they are contributing, others may be in it purely for amusement or provocation. Regardless of their intent, their critiques often spark heated debates and lengthy threads.

## The Art of “Clapter”

Armchair critics have perfected the art of what we might call “clapter.” They deliver critiques that generate both laughter and applause – from those who appreciate their witty commentary as well as those who applaud their tenacity, even if it sometimes veers into absurdity.

## The Armchair Meets the Recliner

While the term “armchair critic” implies

a certain level of comfort, the phenomenon has evolved to include even the recliner-dwelling experts. With laptops, tablets, and smartphones, one can be a critic from virtually any cozy corner of the world.

Armchair critics are a unique and sometimes entertaining part of the online landscape. Their penchant for offering opinions on every subject imaginable, often without a background in the matter at hand, provides a source of both amusement and reflection.

So, next time you encounter one, embrace the clapter and remember that, in the grand theater of online discourse, they are but one colorful character in a diverse ensemble cast.



Whiskey Blues:

# Embracing the Soulful Euphoria



**THE** dimly lit corner of a smoky jazz club, where the air is thick with the soulful notes of a saxophone, and the clinking of ice in a glass punctuates the night, you find yourself immersed in a world of whiskey blues. It's not just a genre of music; it's an emotional odyssey, a journey through the soul, where melancholy dances with euphoria, all under the influence of amber nectar.

## The Blues: A Sonnet to the Soul

The blues are a musical tapestry woven with threads of heartache, resilience, and life's intricate experiences. It's the sorrowful moan of a slide guitar and the raspy croon of a bluesman that bear witness to the human condition. In these expressive tunes, the bluesman lays bare his emotions, inviting us to partake in a collective moment of introspection.

Whiskey blues, however, adds an enigmatic twist to this musical story. As the golden elixir flows and the room grows warmer, the mood transitions from somber reflection to a unique euphoria. The whiskey, with its smoky allure, serves as a silent confidant, an accomplice to the bluesman's tale.

## The Warmth of Whiskey

There's something intimate about sipping whiskey as the blues fill the air. The initial warmth that washes over you, followed by a soothing burn, is like a sonic and sensory embrace. It's an invitation to let go, to feel the music deep within, and allow the world outside to fade away.

As each note reverberates through your soul, you find yourself swaying to the rhythm, eyes half-closed, lost in a world

of bittersweet reminiscence. The whiskey blues are a sanctuary for the weary heart, where emotions run free, and tears are as welcome as laughter.

## Euphoria in Melancholy

The essence of whiskey blues lies in its paradoxical nature. It's the realization that life's complexities are both beautiful and heartbreaking. It's the acknowledgment that sadness and joy are intertwined, and they dance together in a poetic waltz. Whiskey blues invites us to embrace our vulnerabilities, to find solace in our melancholy, and to celebrate life's triumphs and tribulations. It's an ode to resilience, a reminder that we are beautifully imperfect.

As the night draws to a close, the last strains of the blues linger in the air, and your glass of whiskey is but a memory. In that ephemeral moment, you've experienced the unique magic of whiskey blues—a journey that begins with introspection, meanders through melancholy, and ends with euphoria.

Whiskey blues is a paradoxical mood, a symphony of emotions where the soulful blues and the warm whiskey fuse into a state of nostalgic euphoria. It's a testament to the beauty of the human experience, where we find solace in the midst of life's poignant moments. So, next time you find yourself in that dimly lit corner of a jazz club, raise your glass to the whiskey blues, and let the music carry you through a world of emotions, reminding you that even in melancholy, there's a unique kind of joy.



Rich Dad, Poor Dad:

# Unraveling Financial Mindsets for Wealth

**THE** realm of personal finance, Robert Kiyosaki's iconic book, "Rich Dad Poor Dad," introduces readers to a groundbreaking concept that has transformed countless lives. By dissecting the financial philosophies of two father figures, Kiyosaki provides a compelling narrative that challenges conventional notions of wealth and success.

## Poor Dad: A Paradigm of Conformity

The "Poor Dad" in this story embodies traditional wisdom regarding financial success. He underscores the significance of formal education, advocating for a secure job with benefits. He is the guardian of the well-trodden path, urging caution and advocating for a life of financial stability.

Within the "Poor Dad" philosophy, a dedicated commitment to hard work, job security, and living within one's means takes center stage. He dutifully treads the path of working for a paycheck, saving diligently, and funneling resources into standard investment options like 401(k)s and the stock market. The aspiration here is the ever-elusive dream of retirement, where years of diligent saving hopefully provide a peaceful, post-work life.

## Rich Dad: The Trailblazer of Wealth

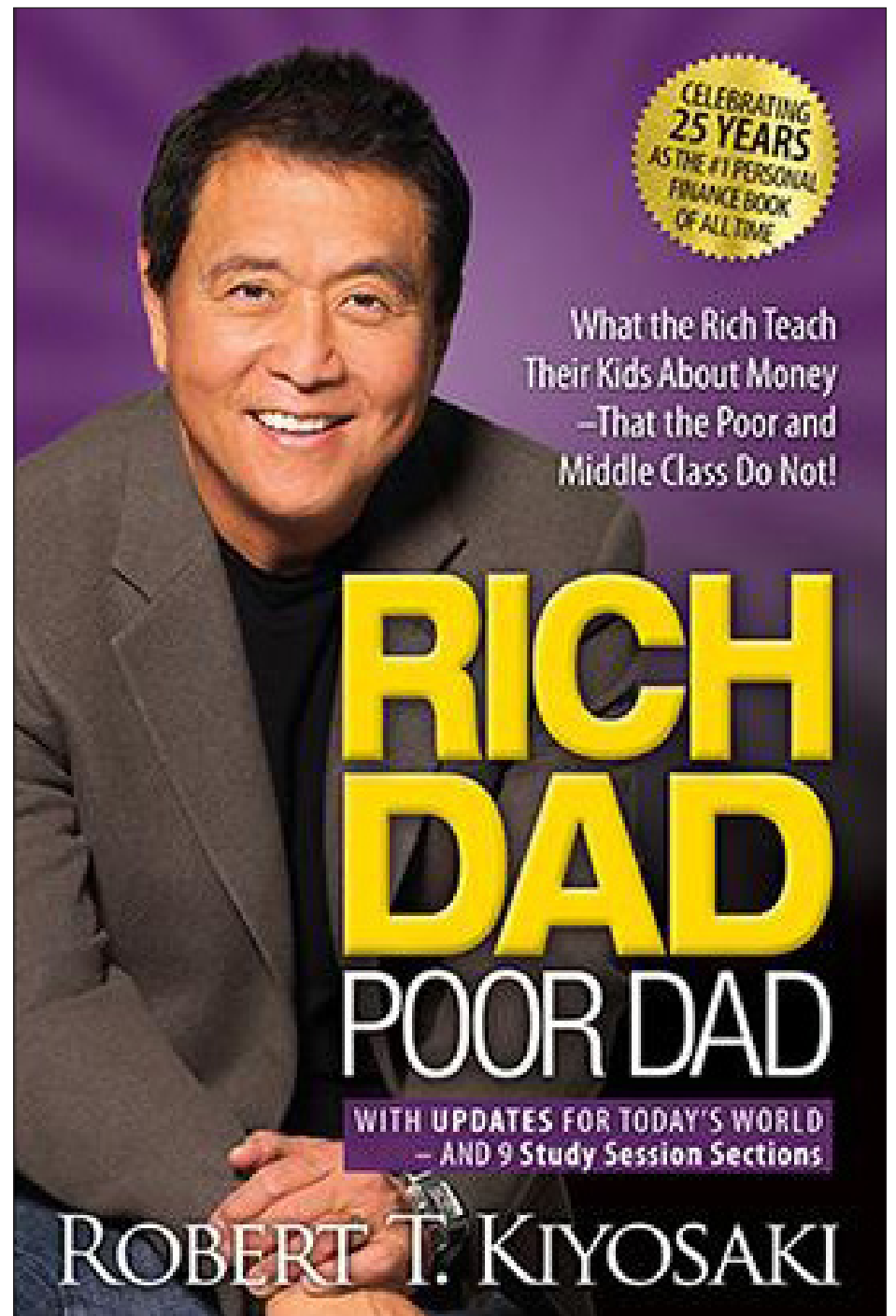
In stark contrast, the "Rich Dad" embodies a financial philosophy that thrives on innovation and entrepreneurship. He preaches the importance of financial literacy and questions the status quo. For "Rich Dad," the key to financial prosperity is not solely formal education but, crucially, financial education.

The core beliefs of the "Rich Dad" philosophy include the art of acquiring income-generating assets, which consistently produce wealth and appreciate over time. He espouses a mindset of thinking beyond the boundaries, embracing calculated financial risks, and continually expanding one's financial education.

The financial objective for "Rich Dad" is not retirement but rather financial independence. This is achieved by accumulating assets such as real estate, stocks, and venturing into entrepreneurial endeavors. It's about building multiple streams of income and creating a life where money works for you, rather than being tethered to the 'rat race' of a 9-to-5 job.

## Key Insights: A New Paradigm for Wealth

Kiyosaki's "Rich Dad Poor Dad" offers a wealth of insights for those looking to redefine their relationship with money.



The book accentuates the importance of financial literacy, encouraging individuals to grasp the mechanics of money, the value of assets versus liabilities, and the vitality of creating passive income streams.

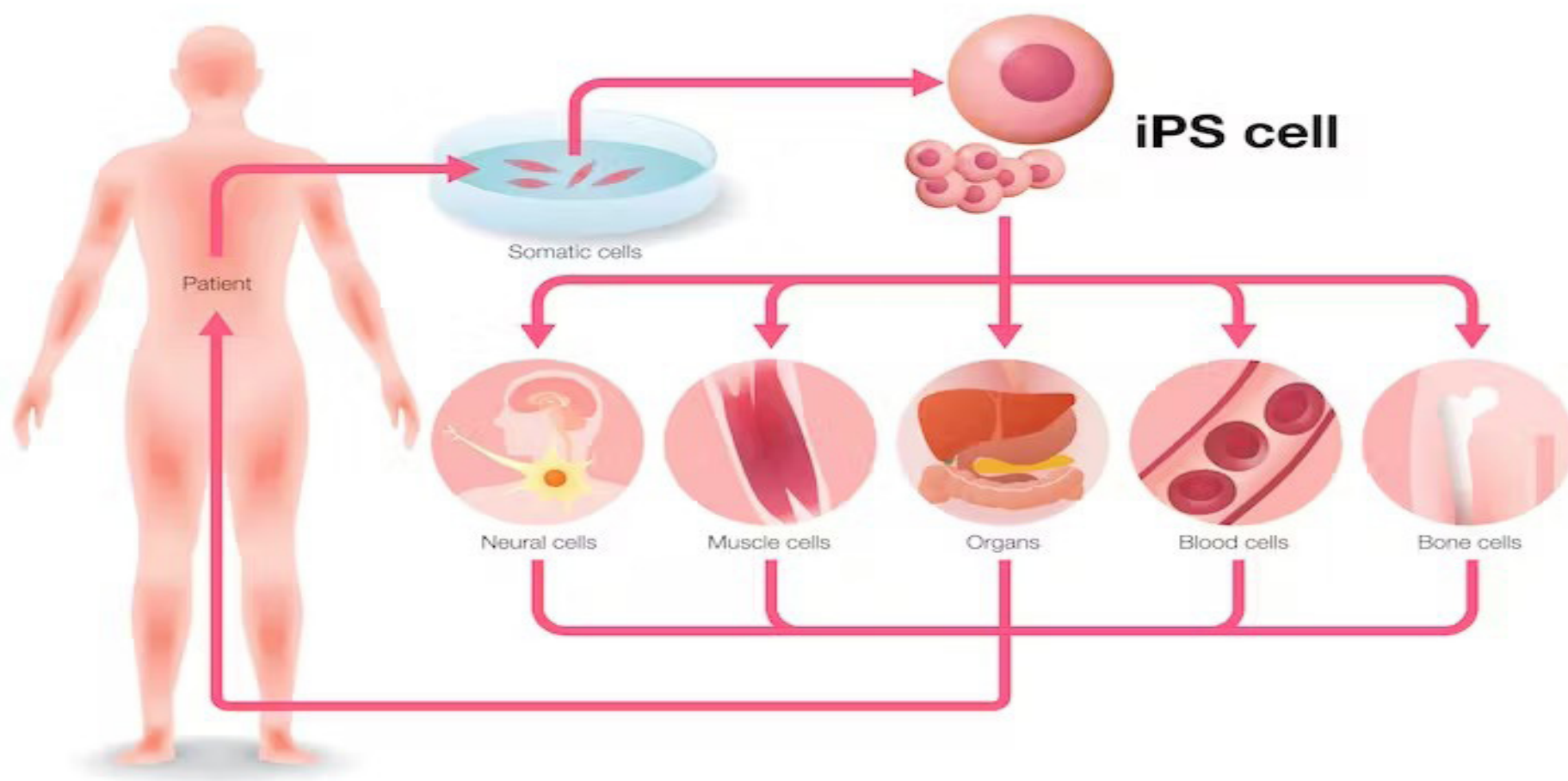
The fundamental message is to escape the humdrum of financial conformity and embrace a paradigm shift. Instead of toiling for money, the book encourages readers to make money work for them. It underscores the potential for financial growth through entrepreneurship, investments, and a constant hunger for knowledge.

A world where financial independence is the dream, "Rich Dad Poor Dad" is the compass. It illuminates a path toward economic freedom and prosperity, prompting readers to question the conventional wisdom that has held them captive. As Kiyosaki unveils these contrasting financial mindsets, readers are left to ponder their own journey towards a life of abundance and financial security.



## The Moral Dilemma of Lab-Grown Organs:

# Promises and Ethical Quandaries



**THE** realm of medical science is witnessing unprecedented advancements, and one such breakthrough is the cultivation of lab-grown organs. While this innovation holds the promise of saving countless lives, it is accompanied by a web of ethical dilemmas that demand careful consideration.

## The Miracle of Lab-Grown Organs

The concept of growing human organs in a laboratory setting has the potential to revolutionize the field of transplantation. It offers hope to those in dire need of organ transplants, potentially reducing waiting lists and the associated risks. This technology has already shown its worth with lab-grown bladders and tracheas successfully implanted in patients.

## The Moral Quandary: Human-Animal Hybrids

One of the ethical hurdles facing the lab-grown organs industry is the potential creation of human-animal hybrids. The process often involves using animal embryos as a scaffold for growing human organs. This raises questions about the moral status of these hybrid organisms and their potential for suffering. The boundaries of what is acceptable in scientific experimentation need to be clearly defined.

## Resource Allocation and Accessibility

Lab-grown organs are a remarkable advancement, but their production requires significant resources, including time, money, and laboratory space. Ethical questions arise concerning the allocation of these resources. Should they be primarily available to those who can afford them, or is

there an ethical imperative to ensure equitable access to life-saving treatments for all, regardless of their economic status?

## Consent and the Use of Stem Cells

The source of the cells used to create lab-grown organs also raises ethical questions. Ensuring informed consent when using stem cells, particularly from human embryos, is paramount. The debate over the moral status of embryos and the ethical use of stem cells continues to be a complex and contentious issue.

## The Slippery Slope of Enhancement

As lab-grown organs advance, there is the potential for enhancement rather than just replacement. This blurs the line between addressing medical conditions and pursuing enhancements for non-medical purposes. The moral implications of using this technology for purposes beyond saving lives need to be scrutinized.

Lab-grown organs offer a beacon of hope in the field of medicine, with the potential to save countless lives. However, they also raise profound moral dilemmas. The ethics surrounding human-animal hybrids, resource allocation, consent, and the potential for enhancement must be addressed through open and thoughtful discourse.

As the science of lab-grown organs continues to progress, so too must the ethical framework that guides its development and application.



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## Beloved “Friends” Star Matthew Perry Dies at 54 in Tragic Drowning Incident



**MATTHEW** Perry, the renowned actor acclaimed for his iconic portrayal of Chandler Bing, the king of sarcasm, in the hit '90s sitcom “Friends,” tragically passed away at the age of 54. Perry was found unresponsive in a jacuzzi at his Los Angeles residence, with the incident believed to be related to drowning.

Perry’s untimely demise has sent shockwaves through the entertainment world, sparking an outpouring of grief and tributes from fellow celebrities and admirers. Actor Mira Sorvino expressed her deep sorrow over his passing, acknowledging Perry’s unique wit and humor that brought joy to countless fans.

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, who shared his school days with Perry in Ottawa, expressed his condolences, highlighting the profound impact Perry had on

people worldwide.

Matthew Perry’s most memorable role was as Chandler Bing in “Friends,” where he masterfully delivered the character’s iconic sarcasm and wit. The show’s massive success elevated Perry to international stardom, alongside Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox, David Schwimmer, Matt LeBlanc, and Lisa Kudrow. Their portrayal of a close-knit group of friends resonated with audiences worldwide, solidifying their celebrity status.

In his 2022 memoir, “Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing,” Perry candidly discussed his protracted battle with addiction to prescription drugs and alcohol, revealing his inspiring journey to sobriety. His resilience and talent will forever be celebrated by those who cherished his work and the laughter he brought to the world.



# NURTURING THE NEXT GENERATION



## Understanding Society's Role in Youth Challenges

**YOUNG** people are often referred to as the future of society, yet it's not uncommon to see headlines blaming them for societal problems. This paradoxical narrative raises the question: why is society failing its youth and unfairly burdening them with blame? To grasp the complexities of this issue, we must explore the factors contributing to this phenomenon.

### Neglect of Mental Health

Society's neglect of the mental well-being of its youth is a significant contributor to the blame game. Young people today face unprecedented stressors, from academic pressures to the pervasive influence of social media. Many find themselves in a mental health crisis, but limited access to resources and the stigma surrounding mental health concerns leave them struggling alone. Rather than providing support, society often scrutinizes their actions without acknowledging the underlying stressors.

### Economic Inequalities

Economic disparities play a crucial role in the blame placed on young people. The rising costs of education and housing, coupled with limited job opportunities, create a daunting economic landscape. As a result, young adults may find themselves entangled in financial struggles, making it easy for society to accuse them of irresponsibility, often without considering the systemic factors at play.

### Education and Skill Development

Society's failure to adapt educational systems to the evolving needs of young people exacerbates the blame. The demand for new skills and knowledge in an ever-changing job market often leaves them ill-equipped for the real world. It's crucial for society to invest in education that fosters critical thinking, adaptability, and innovation rather than faulting them for shortcomings in a system beyond their control.

### Nurturing Rather Than Blaming

To break the cycle of blaming the youth, society must shift its focus. It should prioritize mental health support, bridge economic disparities, and encourage civic engagement.

Moreover, it should update educational models to equip young people with the skills necessary to thrive in an uncertain future.

Rather than scapegoating the youth, society should nurture and empower them to become the change-makers and leaders they have the potential to be. By recognizing their challenges and actively working to address them, society can ensure that the future generations are equipped to meet the challenges ahead. It's not the blame that should define them but the support and guidance they receive from the very society they will one day lead.

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DeviantArt:

# Where Artistic Dreams Flourish in a Digital Realm

**DEEP** within the digital realm lies a haven where art flourishes in its purest form. This enchanted realm is none other than DeviantArt, a platform that transcends the conventional boundaries of artistic expression and opens the floodgates to boundless creativity.

## The Birth of a Creative Oasis

DeviantArt's inception dates back to the year 2000 when it was conceived by the visionary minds of Scott Jarkoff, Matt Stephens, Angelo Sotira, and an emerging community of artistic souls. From its humble beginnings, it has evolved into an artistic juggernaut, uniting creators from every corner of the globe. The very name, "DeviantArt," reflects the yearning to deviate from the ordinary and embark on a journey of the extraordinary.

## A Tapestry of User-Generated Art

At its heart, DeviantArt is a melting pot of user-generated content. Artists of diverse genres gather on this platform to unveil their creations, be it digital marvels, traditional masterpieces, awe-inspiring photographs, thought-provoking literature, or mesmerizing animations. The essence of DeviantArt resides in its multifaceted and ever-evolving community.

## The Epicenter of Artistry

Imagine an artistic ecosystem teeming with life, where each creation stands as a unique and vibrant entity. DeviantArt mirrors this phenomenon, with each artwork referred to as a "deviation." Users upload their deviations to their profiles, prompting a harmonious exchange of dialogue, commentary, and admiration from fellow members.

## Diversity Flourishes in Unity

DeviantArt is a diverse tapestry of artistic expression. It caters to a plethora of categories, spanning from



the meticulously crafted domains of digital art to the intimate allure of traditional sketches. Whether you are an enthusiast of visual beauty or a connoisseur of written word, you will discover an inexhaustible wellspring of inspiration.

## Communities and Kinships

Amid this expansive digital universe exist countless constellations, each representing a community of artists united by a common passion. DeviantArt houses groups and fandoms devoted to specific niches, from cherished realms of pop culture to distinct and revered art styles. Within these communities, artists connect with kindred spirits, share knowledge, and refine their craft.

## The DeviantArt Odyssey:

### A Premium Experience

For those who yearn for a deeper connection, DeviantArt offers the path of a "Core Membership." This elevated experience unlocks an array of features and customization options, transforming profiles into personalized artistic sanctuaries.

## Art Finds a Home:

## Prints and Merchandise

One of DeviantArt's most remarkable achievements is its platform for artists to share their creations with the world. Through the sale of prints and merchandise, creators can breathe life into their passion, while art enthusiasts adorn their lives with these breathtaking pieces.

## Championing Creativity: Contests and Challenges

DeviantArt recognizes that art thrives on challenge and competition. Regularly, the platform hosts art contests and challenges, igniting the flames of creativity. Winners not only reap rewards but also revel in the lime-light of recognition.

## A Spectrum of Expression: From Innocence to Maturity

DeviantArt acknowledges the spectrum of human expression, catering to both the innocence of youth and the maturity of age. Users navigate safely through the realms of creativity, thanks to the platform's tools for marking and filtering mature content. This ensures that the experience aligns with individual preferences.





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